

Week Two - Do You Hear What I Hear?: "Mary Did You Know?"

### CONNECT

• What does Christmas mean to you?



#### Galatians 4:4-5

4 But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.

# THOUGHT

We know that Christ's Birth brings transformation. (John 3:16) "For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." His birth not only transformed individuals but also the world, "From the inside out".

### **DISCUSSION**

- 1. What are some social and cultural barriers in our time? How can you increase the sense of oneness in Christ in your world?
- 2. How affectionate is your relationship with God? (Read Romans 12:1-2)
- 3. What effect does being "In Christ" have on relationships with believers and unbelievers?

4. How can we use the Christmas season to encourage people in Christ?

## PERSONAL APPLICATION

- In this holiday spend time thinking how the love of God has transformed your life.
- This week while preparing for gifts, and shopping, spend time thinking of those who you can share the ultimate gift with and plan to do so.

## **PRAYER**

- Ask God to open your eyes to see more of Him and His love for you and those around you in this holiday season.
- This week, while preparing to enter into the advent season, ask God to give you a plan to share the love of Christ with those around you.