

# *Given to RELATE to Us* Sunday, December 4, 2022 Gahanna campus

# WELCOME (15 minutes)

• Ice Breaker: In your opinion, what is the earliest day you should decorate for Christmas?

### WORSHIP (10 minutes)

- Most Christmas Carols are WORSHIP SONGS! Be sure to sing these as worship and not simply as seasonal nostalgia.
- Using your favorite streaming service, sing together "O Come Let Us Adore Him" by Hillsong AND "Joy to the World" by Phil Wickham. Lyrics on the back.

### WIN (15 minutes)

• Use your **PRAYER BOARD** to talk about & pray for people you are praying to come to know Jesus as Savior. *Why not this Christmas season?* 

# WORD (25 minutes)

- 1. Read together 2 Corinthians 9:15. What do you think Paul meant here when he described God's gift as "inexpressible"? Paul gave thanks to God for the gift of Jesus. What are some ways you give thanks to God for the inexpressible gift of Jesus?
- 2. Is it difficult for you to share the gift of Jesus with other people? If so, why? If not, how did you get to the place where it became natural for you to tell people about the greatest gift God has given the world in Jesus?
- 3. Read aloud Isaiah 9:6. How does the incarnation (God becoming a man in the person of Jesus) offer hope to our hopelessness?
- 4. Read Luke 2:11 & Matthew 1:21. Mankind did not need a coach, or a therapist but a SAVIOR. Talk about what this means and how you explain this to the person who has no prior understanding of Christianity.
- 5. Read aloud John 3:16. Pastor Steve said the proper response to God giving the best-ever Christmas gifts is to: appreciate it; receive it; share it with others; and to reciprocate it. How are YOU choosing to do any of these things this Christmas season?

### WORKS (25 minutes)

• Break down into smaller units of 2 or 3s to pray with each other!

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#### "O Come All Ye Faithful" - Hillsong

O come all ye faithful Joyful and triumphant O come ye o come ye To Bethlehem

Come and behold Him Born the King of angels O come let us adore Him O come let us adore him O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord

O come, all ye faithful Come let us adore Him O come, all ye faithful Come let us adore Him

Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation Sing all ye citizens Of heaven above Glory to God Glory in the highest

O come, let us adore Him O come, let us adore him O come, let us adore Him Christ the Lord

O come all ye faithful Come, let us adore him O come all ye faithful Come, let us adore him

O sing hallelujah Come, let us adore Him O sing hallelujah Come, let us adore Him

Yes Lord, we greet Thee Born this happy morning Jesus to Thee be all glory given Word of the Father Now in flesh appearing

O come, let us adore Him O come, let us adore him O come, let us adore Him Christ the Lord

O come all ye faithful Come, let us adore him O come all ye faithful Come, let us adore Him

O sing hallelujah The Lord is worthy O sing hallelujah The Lord is worthy

O come all ye faithful Come, let us adore him O come all ye faithful Come, let us adore Him

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#### "Joy to the World" by Phil Wickham

Joy to the world the Lord is come Let earth receive her king Let every heart prepare Him room And heaven and nature sing And heaven and nature sing And heaven and Heaven and nature sing We will sing, sing, sing Joy to the world We will sing, sing, sing

Joy to the world the savior reigns Let men their songs employ While fields and floods rocks hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy Repeat the sounding joy Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

We will sing, sing, sing Joy to the world We will sing, sing, sing

He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love And wonders of His love And wonders, wonders of His love

Joy to the world We will sing, sing, sing

Joyful, joyful we adore Thee God of glory, Lord of love And hearts unfold like flowers before Thee Opening to the sun above

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