

#### **WELCOME TO SOUTHEAST**

Southeast provides relational environments where you can find **Jesus, community, and purpose**.

#### **GET CONNECTED**

God created us for community. If you are interested in serving, participating in a life group, or would like more information about an upcoming event, visit **southeastcc.org** or send an email to **connect@southeastcc.org**.

#### **NEED PRAYER?**

We are honored to pray with you or for you. Join us after services to pray with someone at southeastcc.org. You may also submit a prayer request at southeastcc.org/prayer.

# ADVENT | A TALE OF TWO KINGDOMS | LOVE

## NOTES | 12.4.22

#### Luke 2:1-7 English Standard Version (ESV)

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

### Micah 5:2 | ESV

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah,
who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel,
whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

#### 1 Peter 5:6-8 | ESV

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be soberminded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

#### Philippians 4:11-13 | ESV

Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be con-tent. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

## **IMPLICATIONS**

- 1. The Savior showing up in Bethlehem tells a particular story about how God wants us to remember this holiday.
- 2. What are the stables in your life?
- 3. We often want to experience our relationship with God in the pretty places of our lives. But God isn't in Paradise, he is in Nineveh.
- 4. The messy places in our lives aren't there to be avoided. They are there for us to experience more of the presence of God in our lives in a growing way.





