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Title Angels We Have Heard On High
Luke 2:8-20

I. The angels message was a message of encouragement.

Fear not.

Fear is common among each of us.

The message of the Gospel is "do not be afraid." 10

Do not fear God.

Do not fear the evil one. He is defeated.

Don't fear the unknown future. God will bring you through it.

Don't even fear death. Christ has conquered it.

II. The angels message was given to create great joy.

"good news of great joy"

Joy of the Lord is the salvation of people.

III. The angels message contained good news.

Salvation now was possible for everyone

IV. The angels message told how people could have peace on earth.

Peace on earth for men

Luke 2:14-15 - When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

V. The angels message was meant to be shared with others.

Luke 2:17-18 - When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.