



2. Even Jesus' own disciples repeatedly "missed the obvious" by not understanding the true nature of the type of Kingdom the Lord was establishing. One example of this is John 14:1-11 when Thomas and Phillip bring their doubts and questions to the forefront before the Lord. Read it out loud in a few different translations and answer the following questions.
 - a. What does this story tell us about God/people/you?
 - b. What insights can we learn about this story about "missing the obvious" in our own lives?
3. In light of everything we have discussed tonight, is there anything you need to do differently?

Personal reflection and application.

1. Have everyone share one thing someone else said that stood out to them from the discussion.
2. Break up into smaller groups (preferably men with men and women with women) and pray for one another.

the **CHRISTMAS STORY**
MOST PEOPLE MISS



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"Missing the Obvious"
Luke 2:8-14
Dr. Willie Nolte

» Why such a profound "Miss"?

- Too _____.
- Preconceived _____ or _____.
- Existing _____.

» Solution?

- _____ Jesus.
- _____ Jesus at _____.
- Learn from _____.

» Three things that come from seeing Jesus:

- _____.
- _____.
- _____.

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS // WEEK TWELVE

REMINDER

Take a moment to plan out your group's party (if you haven't already done so).

What do you think?

1. From Sunday's message, what point stood out to you, challenged you, or raised a question for you?
2. Why do you think it's so easy to miss the obvious point of Christmas (Jesus)?

The story of your life.

Though we'd all like to think of ourselves as self-aware in every situation, the reality is that we all miss things sometimes. Tell about a time in your life when you missed something that was really obvious to others.

Digging deeper.

1. On Sunday Dr. Willie talked about how many in the first century world missed the obvious when it came to recognizing Jesus as their Savior. Another individual who missed the obvious in the Bible was the great king David during his period of sin with Bathsheba. As a worship leader, Biblical teacher, and national leader, he knew what he was doing and knew it wasn't right. Yet none of that stopped him. Read 2nd Samuel 11:1-12:25 and answer the following questions.
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