

Christmas One – The Day of Small Things

1. The Day of Small Things: **Zech. 4:10; Psa. 8:2; I Cor. 1:27-29**

A. Great things often begin in obscurity.

- 1) A tall skyscraper: its foundation is buried.
- 2) Moses: God first spoke to him on the backside of a desert.
- 3) The Apostle Paul: spent 3 years in obscurity after his conversion. **Gal. 1:15-18**
- 4) David: A shepherd boy.

2. Christmas one began in obscurity.

A. The Angel Gabriel appearing to Mary. **Lk. 2:26-27, 30-35**

B. The Angel appears to Joseph. **Matt. 1:18-25**

C. Mary and Joseph's trip to Bethlehem. **Lk. 2:3-5**

3. The birth of Christ: **Lk. 2:6-7** In total humility and obscurity.

A. "Wrapped Him in swaddling clothes": Torn strips of cloth.

B. "Laid Him in a manger": used for feeding sheep

C. "Because there was no room for them in the Inn."

- 1) The appearance of an angel to the shepherds in the field.
Lk. 2:8-12
- 2) Then the appearance of many angels. **Lk. 2:13-14**
- 3) The shepherds go to the stable. **Lk. 2:15-16**
- 4) The shepherds go out among the people. **Lk. 2:17-18**

4. The temple experience:

A. Simeon **Lk. 2:25-32**

B. Anna **Lk. 2:36-38**