Glory to God in the Highest

Luke 2:1-20

Key Verse 14

“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

1.     Read verses 1-3.  What decree does Caesar Augustus issue? (1) Who is the governor of Syria? (2) What must everyone do? (3)  How does Caesar’s decree help to fulfill one of the prophecies in scripture? (Micah 5:2)

2.     Read verses 4-7.  Why does Joseph go from Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, Bethlehem? (4)  Why does Mary accompany him? (5)  What happens while they are in Bethlehem? (6) Why does she place her first born son in a manger? (7)

3.     Read verses 8-12. Who are there in the field nearby and what are they doing at night? (8) Who appears to them and how do they respond? (9)  What do the angel say to the shepherds? (10-11) What do you think the good news of great joy might be? (10) Who is born in the town of David?(11)  What will be the sign given to the shepherds? (12)

4.    Read verses 13-14. What happens after the angel speaks to the shepherds? (13) What does the heavenly host say as they praise God? (14)  What do you think is meant when they say “Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests?” (14)

5.     Read verses 15-20.  What do the shepherds say to each other when the angels leave them? (15)  Who do they find? (16)  What do they do after they see the baby? (17-18)  What does Mary do with all these things? (19)  What do the shepherds do as they return to their flocks? (20)