



December 1, 2019 – Sermon Discussion Questions

Opening

- What is your favorite Christmas movie?

Discussion

- What would you say is the beginning of the true Christmas story?
- [Read Matthew 1:1-17](#). (If you want, you can also listen to *Matthew's Begats* from *Behold the Lamb of God* by Andrew Peterson [here](#))
- Do you notice anything interesting in this genealogy? What people do you recognize from this list? What do you know about them?
- Jesus' genealogy is a list of people who lived overtly broken lives. And yet, still they're God's people. What do you think qualifies a person to be a part of God's family?
- Think about the beginning of your relationship with God. In what ways did it start not as God working through your strengths, but through your weaknesses?
- Eric said in his message that we expect God to work through our strength, but He is always at work in our weakness. What did he mean? How have you experienced this?
- What are some obstacles to allowing God to work in our weakness? How do you personally struggle with it?

Closing

- Think of someone you've known in your past, someone a part of your story, that you haven't talked to in a while. How can you surprise them with some unexpected Christmas love this season?