

Ice Breaker: What's the most underrated holiday?

Read: John 1:1-18

## **Discussion Questions:**

- Opening Thoughts
  - If the birth of Jesus happened today, do you think it would make headlines?
  - Why or why not?

What news actually broke into the world for us?:

- The Word Comes Into Silence (John 1:1-3)
  - What does it mean that Jesus is "The Word"?
  - How does this speak to the silence or emptiness people experience today?
  - Where do you need God's Word to speak into your life right now?
- Life Comes Into Death (John 1:4)
  - How does Jesus bring life where there is death?
  - What areas of life today feel marked by death or hopelessness?
  - o How does this truth give us hope?
- Light Comes Into Darkness (John 1:5-9)
  - What does light symbolize in Scripture?
  - o How does Jesus bring light into the darkness of our world?
  - $\circ\,$  Where do you see darkness in your own life or community that needs His light?
- Closing Thoughts: Righteousness Comes Into Rejection (John 1:10-14)
  - Why do you think so many people rejected Jesus when He came?
  - o How do people still reject Him today?
  - What does it mean for us to "receive Him" and become children of God?
  - What will you apply based on what you learned this week?