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The Invitation

Fill out a pew card with a prayer request

Put them in the Offering Plate

Come at 6:30pm

The House of Prayer

Join in

The Word

Confession

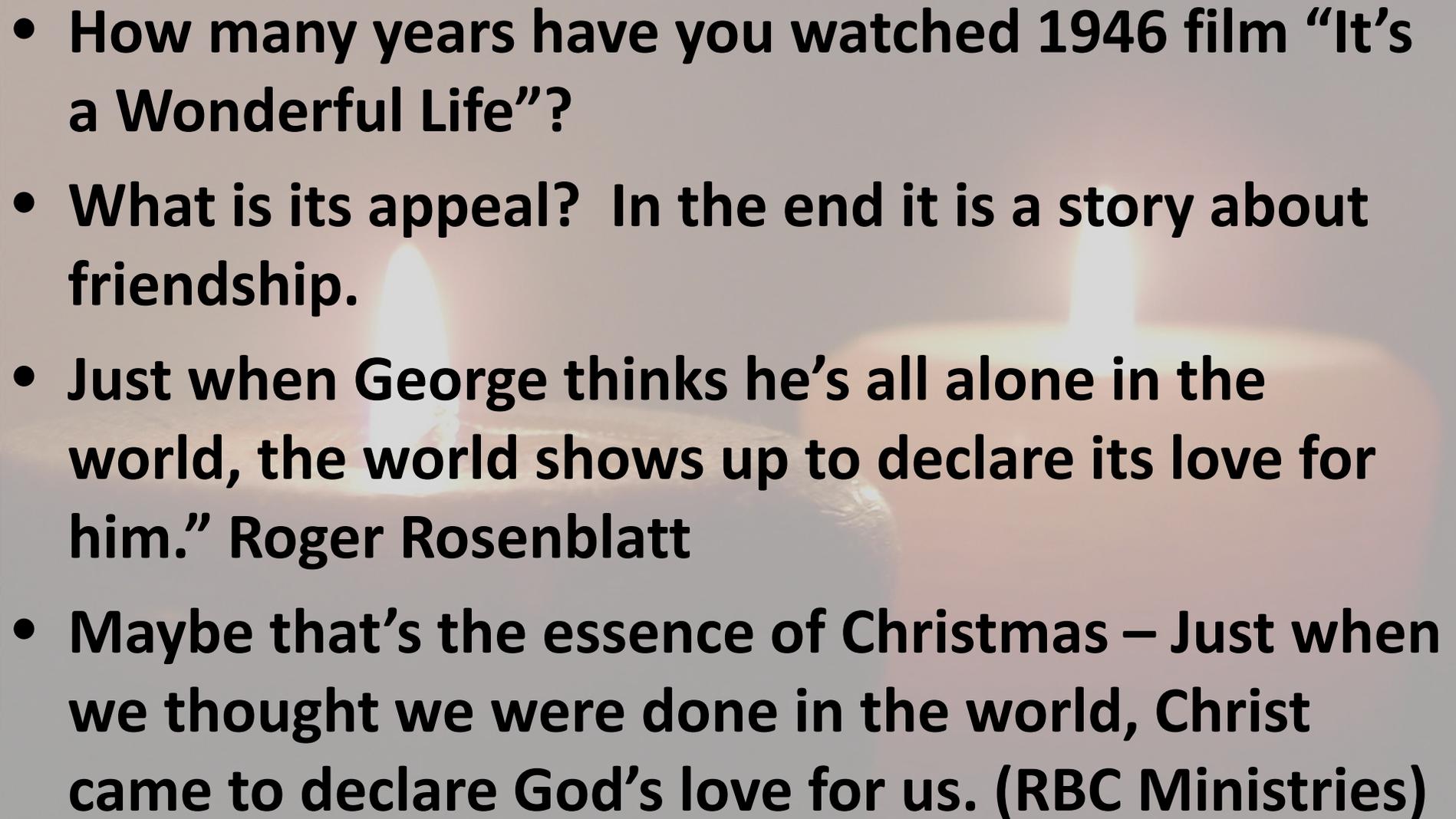
And Prayer

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The Radiant Presence of God

GLORY!

Luke 2:1-20

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- **How many years have you watched 1946 film “It’s a Wonderful Life”?**
 - **What is its appeal? In the end it is a story about friendship.**
 - **Just when George thinks he’s all alone in the world, the world shows up to declare its love for him.” Roger Rosenblatt**
 - **Maybe that’s the essence of Christmas – Just when we thought we were done in the world, Christ came to declare God’s love for us. (RBC Ministries)**

God Shows Up and We Find Favor

- **The Romans tax census required a trip of 70m from Nazareth to the south of Jerusalem.**
- **Favor: The grace of God poured into our lives for the sake of others.**
- **Imagine Joseph and Mary's conversation about God's favor as they traveled on foot just the week before the birth of Jesus –from the perspective of your conversations the last week before your first born!**

God's Glory Full of Radiance

- **Temple shepherds at the City of Bread**
- **An Angel (Servant Spirit) was sent from God to care for those who will receive salvation**
 - He appeared radiant in the sky
 - A Door way in the Darkness appeared to give Life that is the True life.
- **Our response to the exposure of light? Fear**
 - The angel gave reassurance.
 - I bring fantastic News bringing incredible Joy.
 - Heaven's life is come down into ordinary life. The child carries in him extraordinary eternal life which shall be offered to you.
 - You can find him in circumstances you well understand.

Glory, Glory, Glory

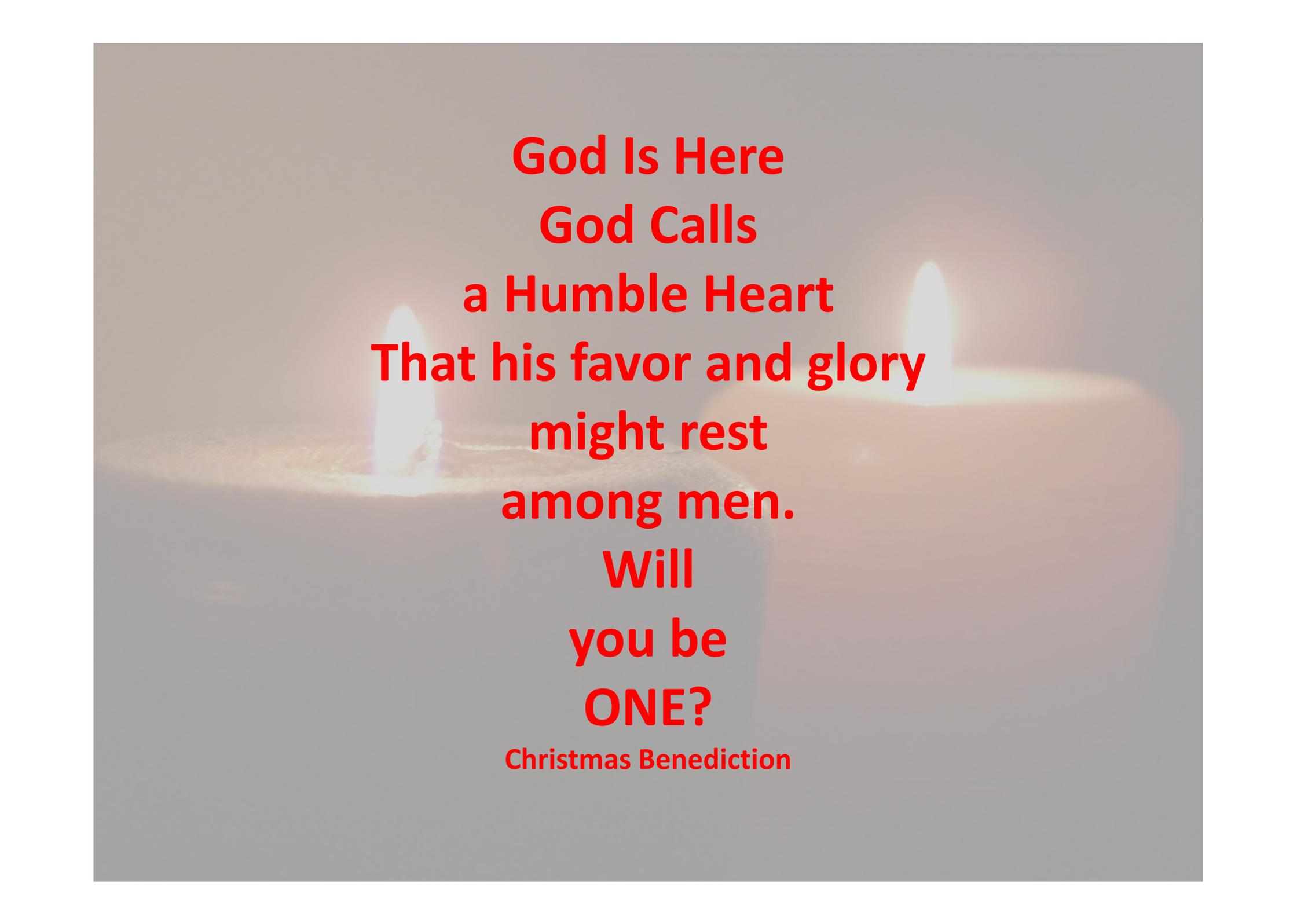
- **The full Choir steps up and Radiance shines:**
 - **Glory is the happiness of heaven; the full delight of God; the “weight” of a graduation or grand opening!**
 - **Peace Men of Earth; God’s favor is offered to you.**
 - **Opportunity to experience the grace of God as transformation for your life equipping you to pour into the lives of others for His Name’s sake.**
- **The Glory of God in you will transform the world one person at a time.**
- **Full earth obedience to the glory of God will be like the millenium!**

Favor and Glory

- **May you know the favor of God, the rich power of a humility in Christ, equipping us to be trusted to carry out his instructions through the good and bad of life.**
- **May you know the glory of God resting upon you like a cloud by day and a fire by night leading you in paths of battle, adventure and rescue for His Name's sake.**
- **May in us His Kingdom come, His will be done**
 - **May his Son be born in us**
 - **May we live with his radiance in us**

This Week's Assignment

- 1. United with Christ? THEN make heaven's joy complete by being like minded, loving the same things, being one in spirit and purpose as Christ.**
- 2. In humility (comfortable inner peace) freely consider others as more valuable than yourselves.**
- 3. Your attitude in this should be like Christ Jesus: a servant nature, humble, obedient put in places of God's choosing to HIS glory and honor!!**
- 4. Quit complaining and SHINE like stars pointing to the Son of God born in the manger of your heart.**



**God Is Here
God Calls
a Humble Heart
That his favor and glory
might rest
among men.**

**Will
you be
ONE?**

Christmas Benediction

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**May the Lord, Mighty God
Bless and Keep You Forever,
Grant You Peace, Perfect Peace
Courage in Every Endeavor
Lift up Your Eyes and See God's Face
Live in His Grace Forever
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