

Family Devotional Guide

Day 1

- **Scripture:** Philippians 1:6; John 1:1-18
- **Discussion:** In Sunday's message, Bro. Tom focused on progression in spiritual maturity, reminding us that God will finish the work He started. As we enter this Christmas season, consider your own maturing in your understanding of Christmas. What are some ways in which your understanding of the incarnation of Jesus Christ has deepened? What are some errors that needed correcting in your own life regarding Christmas & Christ's incarnation?
- **Song:** "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" by Charles Wesley & Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

Day 2

- **Scripture:** Philippians 1:8; Colossians 3:12-17
- **Discussion:** Philippians 1:8 speaks of Paul loving the believers in Philippi with "the affection of Christ Jesus." The love he displayed for the church was a love that Christ put into his heart and was a reflection of the love that Jesus has for us. Is there someone in your life that it is hard to love? How should we handle those relational difficulties? Make a commitment this week to show love to someone in your life that is difficult to love.
- **Song:** "The Bond of Love" by Otis Skillings

Day 3

- **Scripture:** Philippians 1:8; John 3:16-17
- **Discussion:** As we consider the love of Christ for us, what does Christ's incarnation tell us about the love Christ has for us? What should His selflessness teach us about loving others?
- **Song:** "God So Loved the World" by Sir John Stainer