

# MESSAGE NOTES

“It’s a Wonderful Life”

Part Two

Luke 2:1-7

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1. The setting for the story was a \_\_\_\_\_ given by Caesar Augustus that all the world should be \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Mary and Joseph were descendants of David so they had to travel 70 miles from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ in Judea.
3. Mary was \_\_\_\_\_ – on the verge of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. When they got to \_\_\_\_\_ there was \_\_\_\_\_ for them to stay.
5. When the baby was born, the only place to put him was in a \_\_\_\_\_ made of \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The only people to come and visit right after the birth were a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

You can still have *A Wonderful Life* if you realize:

1. You \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Every \_\_\_\_\_ is an opportunity for a \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_ provide the \_\_\_\_\_  
for providential \_\_\_\_\_.

Disappointment is still an \_\_\_\_\_.

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# TAKING IT HOME

*For the week of December 9, 2018.*

*(Questions and Scriptures for further personal study)*

1. The setting of the Christmas story is far from picture perfect. What challenges did Mary and Joseph face in **Luke 2:1-7**?

What challenges or obstacles are you facing right now?

2. Why might some people falsely believe being a Christian means a life without problems?

What are some common responses to troubles and trials? What does **1 Peter 4:12** tell us to expect?

How does **James 1:2-4** describe what our attitude should be? Why is it so hard to do what the Bible says?

3. How does the Christmas story encourage us when we're facing trials, troubles and tests of many kinds?
4. What one thing from today's message will help you face whatever comes tomorrow?