

#### The Christmas Story, Pt. 3 Angels, Shepherds & a Baby By Louie Marsh 12-15-2019

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- <sup>1</sup> Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. <sup>2</sup> He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; <sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. Isaiah 42:1-3 (ESV)

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#### 4) One real response to the Gospel is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>16</sup> And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. <sup>18</sup> And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them...<sup>20</sup> And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. Luke 2:16-18, 20 (ESV)

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