

Christmas:

IT'S ALL GOOD

Week 1: Better than True

People close to Jesus were convinced they had met good personified. So they documented the story. They were convinced it wasn't just for a nation or for a generation, but for all nations and every generation. This was good news, great joy, for all people—perhaps especially for those of us who aren't all that good.

Discussion Questions

1. Have you ever felt compelled to document the life of someone you knew personally? Odds are you didn't or won't, but who do you know that should have a book written about them?
2. What does the fact that Luke and others documented the life of Jesus imply?
3. Read **Luke 1:1–4**.
 - What stands out to you?
 - Why do you think Theophilus wanted this account to be written, since others were already written?
4. Read **Luke 6:27–36**. What stands out to you?
5. Does anything about Jesus or his teaching strike you as less than good news? If so, what? Why?
6. In what ways has the church made the good news not so good? In what ways have you made the good news not so good?

Changing Your Mind

If you don't buy the story of Christ because it never sounded good, maybe you've never heard the original version. The original version is good news for the unrighteous, but threatening news for the self-righteous.