

**Small Group Questions**  
**December 13, 2009**  
**“Costly Christmas”**

- 1) Do you get more stressed out as Christmas approaches?
  - a. What stresses you out?
  - b. Does it seem odd to you that this time of year is stressful?
  
- 2) Read Matt. 1:18-25
  - a. What kind of emotions was Joseph feeling at this time?
  - b. Re-read v. 24. How hard must that have been? What would make it hard for you?
  
- 3) It’s easy to feel that since we have worked hard to get to where we are, we shouldn’t do anything to compromise our position.
  - a. What sort of things are you afraid to lose?
  - b. What would happen if God asked you to give that up?
  
- 4) Read Matt. 5:20
  - a. How should we understand that verse today?
  - b. What would that look like for you?
  
- 5) What change can you make in your life TODAY to start impacting those around you who need love?