

Week of December 24, 2023
Series: The Story, Ch. 10, Pt. 2
Sermon: Silent Night, Violent Night
Text: Revelation 12:1-6

Discussion Questions:

1. Read Revelation 12:1-6. These verses look back at the first Christmas. It gives us a different perspective on what was happening that night in a stable in Bethlehem as Mary welcomed her firstborn Son. Can you identify some periods in your past (highs and lows) where it would have been extremely helpful to view your situation from God's perspective? Explain.
2. Read Revelation 12:7-17. Satan tried to stop Jesus' first coming, but he failed. And now he trying to attack the church, but he will ultimately fail at that too. In fact, Romans 16:20 says that "[t]he God of peace will soon crush Satan under [the church's] feet." As we look towards Jesus' return, how is God using you to crush Satan?
3. Christmas promises peace, love, and joy. Does that fully describe your Christmas Day this week? Sometimes it might seem like the promises of Christmas remain unfulfilled. But we must remind ourselves that Christmas was not a stand-alone event. Jesus' first coming looks forward to His second coming. How can persistently looking to Jesus' return practically produce peace, love, and joy in your heart?