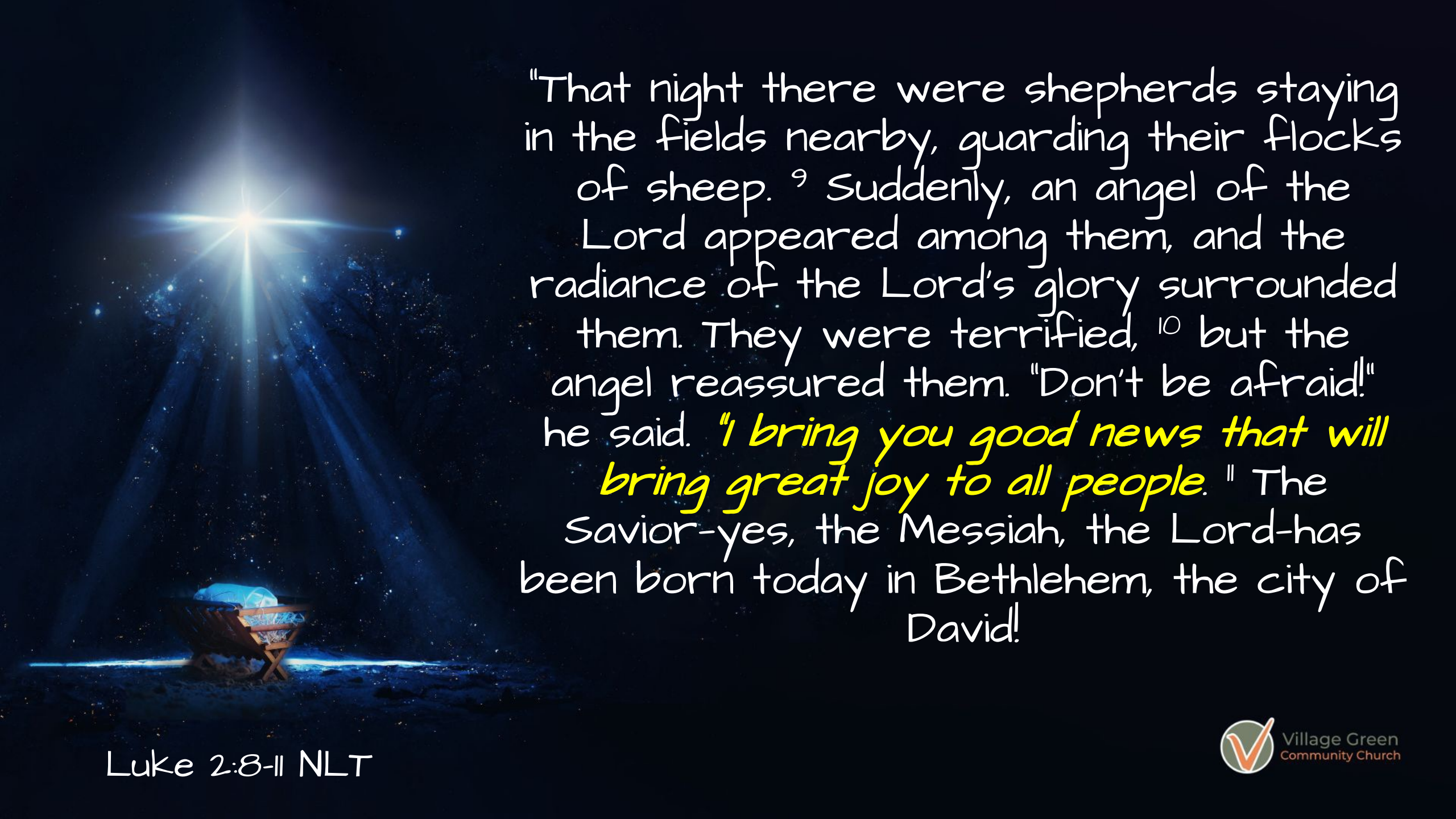


The Heart  
of  
Christmas

A night scene with a bright star in the sky and a manger with a baby in the foreground. The star is a bright white point with a blue lens flare, and several beams of light radiate from it. The manger is a simple wooden structure with a baby wrapped in a blue cloth. The background is a dark, starry night sky.

"That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, <sup>10</sup> but the angel reassured them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. *"I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people."* The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David!

Luke 2:8-11 NLT



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