

A young child with long, light-colored hair is seen from the side, looking out of a window. The window is covered in a thick layer of snow, with some bare branches visible through the panes. The scene is dimly lit, with a warm glow coming from the window, suggesting a winter evening or night. The child's face is partially illuminated by the light from the window.

Christmas through the Eyes of a Child

“Rousing our Impatience”

Impatience

A black and white photograph of a large flock of sheep running up a steep, rocky hillside. The sheep are scattered across the slope, moving from the bottom left towards the top right. The hillside is covered in rocks and sparse vegetation. The sky is a uniform, dark grey.

unable to wait patiently or
tolerate delay

restless in desire or
expectation


Patience

the ability to wait or
endure without complaint

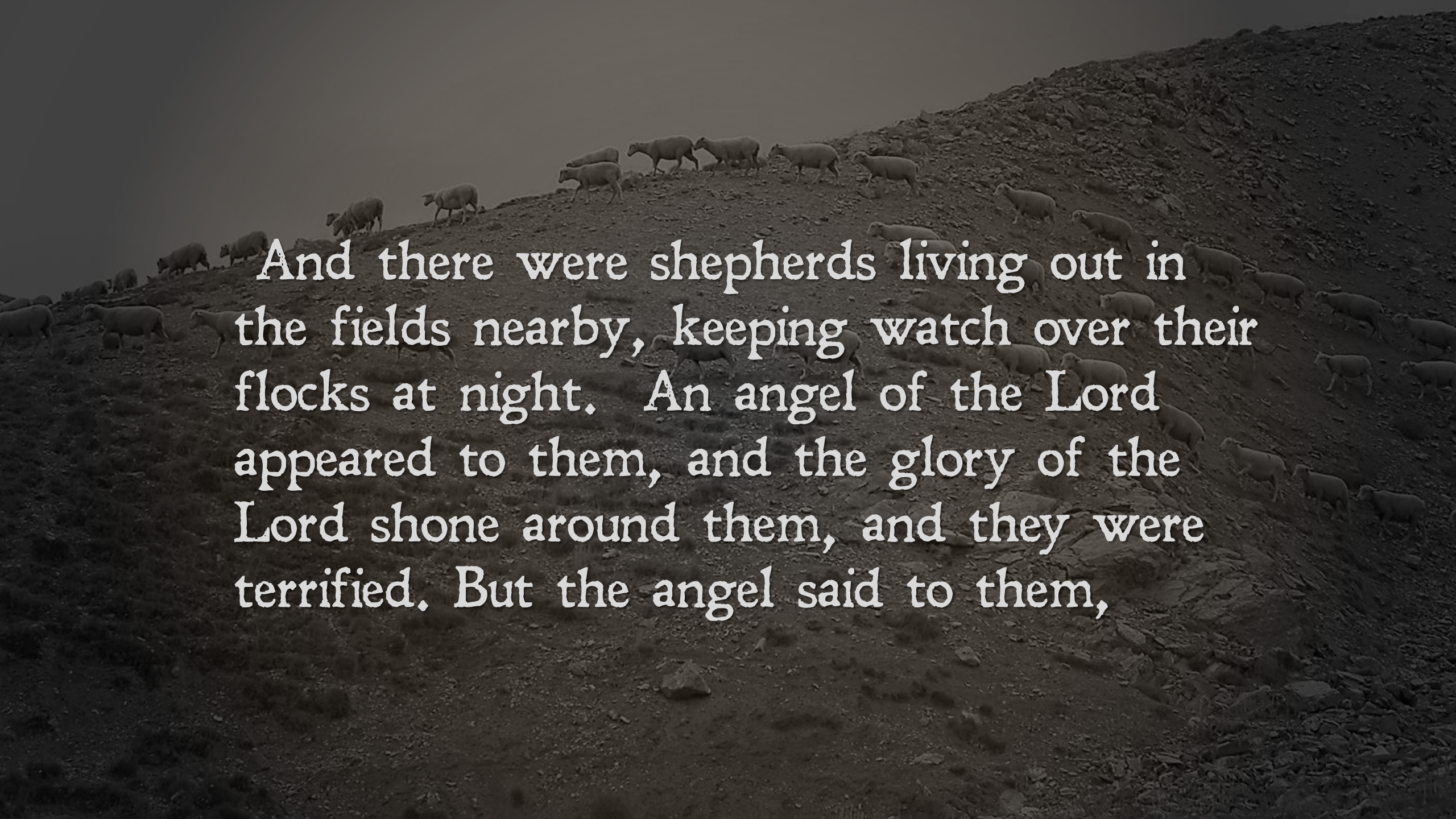


There is a time to be patient
and a time to be impatient.

In what two or three areas of
your life would it be helpful
for you to be more impatient?

A night sky with a bright star or planet in the upper center, surrounded by a soft glow. The sky is filled with numerous smaller stars. In the foreground, there are dark, silhouetted mountains and hills. The overall scene is a serene night landscape.

Luke 2:8-16



And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them,



ISABELLA
(AGE 8)

“Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”



KYRA
(AGE 12)

Kyra
Hlemca

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.”




When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

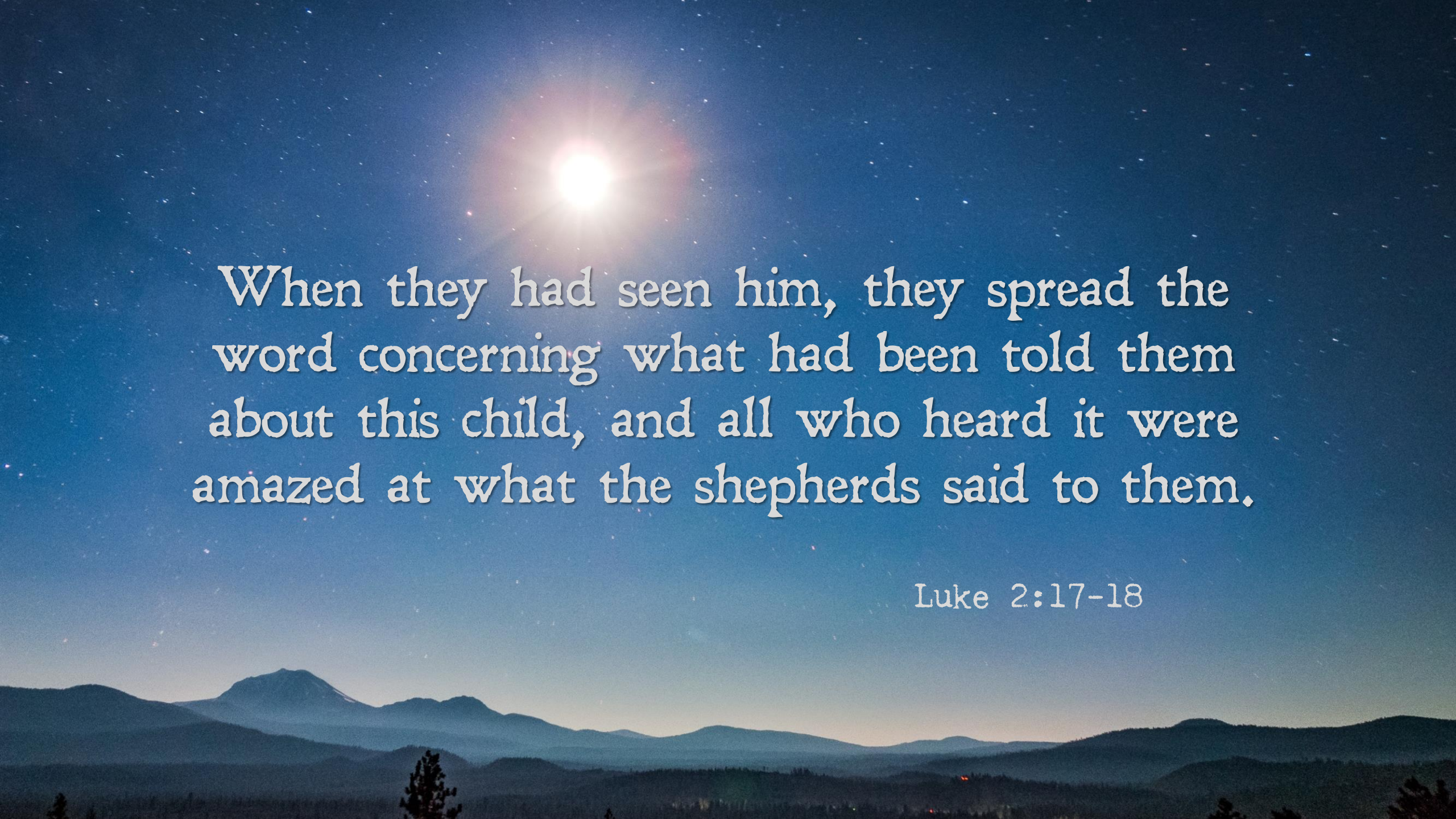
After the angels had left them and had gone into heaven, the shepherds were saying to each other, without delay , let's go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and lying in the manger, the baby.

A night sky with a bright star or planet in the upper center, surrounded by a soft glow and lens flare. The sky is filled with numerous smaller stars. In the foreground, there are dark, silhouetted mountain ranges and some trees, with a few small lights visible in the distance.

Some people are patient
when they should be impatient.

In what two or three areas of
your life would it be helpful
for you to be more impatient?

The background of the image is a deep blue night sky filled with numerous small, distant stars. A single, very bright star or planet is positioned in the upper center, creating a prominent lens flare effect. Below the sky, the dark, silhouetted outlines of a mountain range are visible against the horizon. The overall scene is serene and celestial.

When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

Luke 2:17-18