

Discussion Guide for "Hey New Year"

Christmas is for Dreamers Week 6

Holidays bring a lot of family stress. If anyone can relate, it's Joseph. Matthew tells us how God challenged Joseph to imagine a bigger definition of family than he was comfortable with - and how that changed the world forever. How can we find family where we may have least expected it?

Scriptures for Further Reading

Luke 2:25-35 Jeremiah 31:7-14 Psalm 147:12-20 John 1:10-18 Ephesians 1:3-14

Passage for Sacred Reading:

Sacred Reading is a way of reading Scripture with an eye toward transformation, not just information. You can find a <u>step-by-step guide here</u>. The passage for this week's sacred reading is <u>Luke 2:22-40</u>.

Questions for Discussion

- 1. Other than Rocky, what's the most famous movie montage you can think of? Why do movies employ montages?
- 2. If you could gain one skill through montage, what would it be? Why?
- 3. Revisit Simeon's story in Luke 2:25-35. What role did Simeon's faithfulness to the process of spiritual formation play?
- 4. What are you hoping for God to do in your life in 2020?
- 5. How are you going to stay grounded in spiritual formation in this next year?