Known Only to God "It is the Message, Not the Messenger" Luke 2:1-20

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Introduction:

- "Don't let what you cannot do, interfere with what you can do." John Wooden
- 1. The Least Likely Messengers:
 - a. Luke 2:1-20
 - b. Luke 2:9
 - c. Luke 2:15
 - d. Luke 2:17
 - e. God could have chosen anyone ... But He chose these men.
 - f. Luke 2:18
 - g. Greek <u>Thaumazo</u> ... English <u>Amazed</u> ... "To wonder in amazement ... To marvel at something."
 - h. Acts 4:13
- 2. Prepared, but not Polished:
 - a. 1st Peter 3:15
 - b. "It usually takes more than three weeks to prepare a good impromptu speech." Mark Twain
- 3. Reason for Hope:
 - a. Relationships is where evangelism begins.
 - b. You don't need to be polished and well trained, but you need to be able to give the reason for the Hope you have.
 - c. You can give people reason for real hope ... Because the power is in the Message, not the Messenger.

