



Christmas is celebrating Jesus, God's greatest gift.

DAY 1

Read Luke 2:8-10

When the angel appeared to the shepherds tending their sheep, they were terrified! They probably had never seen one before and didn't know what to think. But the angel hadn't come to scare them. The angel had good news. Jesus was finally here! The promised Savior had arrived.

This good news would be for ALL people. Jesus came so that we could all be part of God's story, to show that God's love is for everyone.

If you had been one of the shepherds, how would you have responded to an angel appearing out of nowhere? Draw a face to show your reaction.

Why do you think God chose to announce Jesus' birth to a bunch of shepherds living in a field nearby?

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If you had a big announcement, who would you tell first and why?

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DAY 2

Read Luke 2:11-12

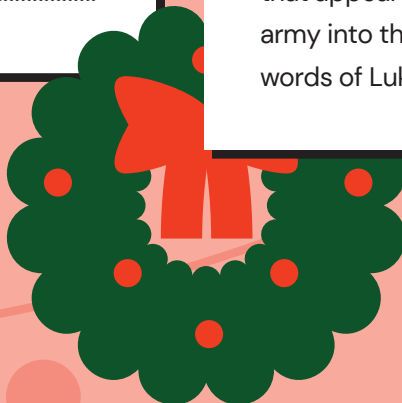
God sent an angel, then an army of angels to share the BIG news of Jesus' birth. But the angels didn't appear to a powerful king or religious leader. God sent an angel to a field full of hardworking shepherds. And that angel said, *"Today in the town of David a SAVIOR has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord."*

A Savior has been born to who? To you! Jesus didn't come just for the rich or famous or popular or smart people. God sent Jesus to show that God's love is for everyone.



Angel Army

Grab some plastic spoons, a permanent marker, foil, clear tape, and a flat box. Draw a face on the back of each spoon with the marker. Then, fold several small pieces of foil back and forth, accordion style. Tape the foil pieces around the back of the spoon, leaving the face visible. The foil will remind you of the radiance of the angels that appeared in the night sky. Stick your angel army into the box for display and write out the words of Luke 2:10 along the front of the box.



DAY 3

Read Luke 2:16–18

When the shepherds heard the news, they took off toward town, excited to see this special baby. When they found everything just as the angel had said, they were filled with joy! They couldn't wait to tell everyone about Jesus' birth. It was the best news ever. God wants you to share this good news with others too—because God's love is for everyone! So, who will you tell?

Four-Panel Christmas

Grab your four-panel picture. In the last box, write the word "LOVE" in large block letters. Draw different sized hearts in red or pink marker all around the word "LOVE." Sit down with a family member or friend and share your completed Christmas drawing. Talk about how we can have HOPE because God is faithful, PEACE because God has a plan, JOY because God sent Jesus, and know that God's LOVE is for everyone.

DAY 4

Read John 3:16

This verse is what the Bible is all about. God loved you. So God did what people who love do: God gave. What did God give? Jesus, God's one and only Son. Why? Because Jesus came to save us from our sin, or the wrong things we do. And when we believe in Him, we can have a relationship with God forever. Jesus' birth, which we celebrate on Christmas, is a really big deal because it showed God's love is for everyone.

John 3:16: Illustrated Edition

Grab a piece of paper and illustrate this verse, any way you'd like. You can draw a heart for love, baby Jesus in a manger for "Son" etc. When finished, give your drawing to a family member or friend. Then tell them about how Jesus' birth means that everyone can be a part of God's story because God's love is for everyone.



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