

Christmas is celebrating Jesus, God's greatest gift.

Read Luke 2:11

DAY
1

Go and Tell!

When the shepherds found out about Jesus' birth they ran around town telling everyone! Gather everyone in your house and reenact the shepherd's excitement! Have some family members go into the different rooms in your house and shut the doors. Once everyone is set, run around to all of the rooms knocking on the doors, as the doors are open shout "Jesus is born!" and ask them to join you to tell the rest!

Ask others if they have heard the good news that Jesus is born!

DAY
2

My Manger

Jesus was born in a manger next to animals and laid on a bed of hay. What do you think of when you hear the place that Jesus was born? Draw a picture of what you think of when you hear about the story of Jesus' birth.

Know that no matter where you are born you can do great things.

DAY
3

Shout it Out!

Look up this week's verse. Start by reading the verse in a quiet voice and get louder and louder every time you read it! Shout it out and celebrate that Jesus is born!

Look for people that you can tell that Jesus is born!

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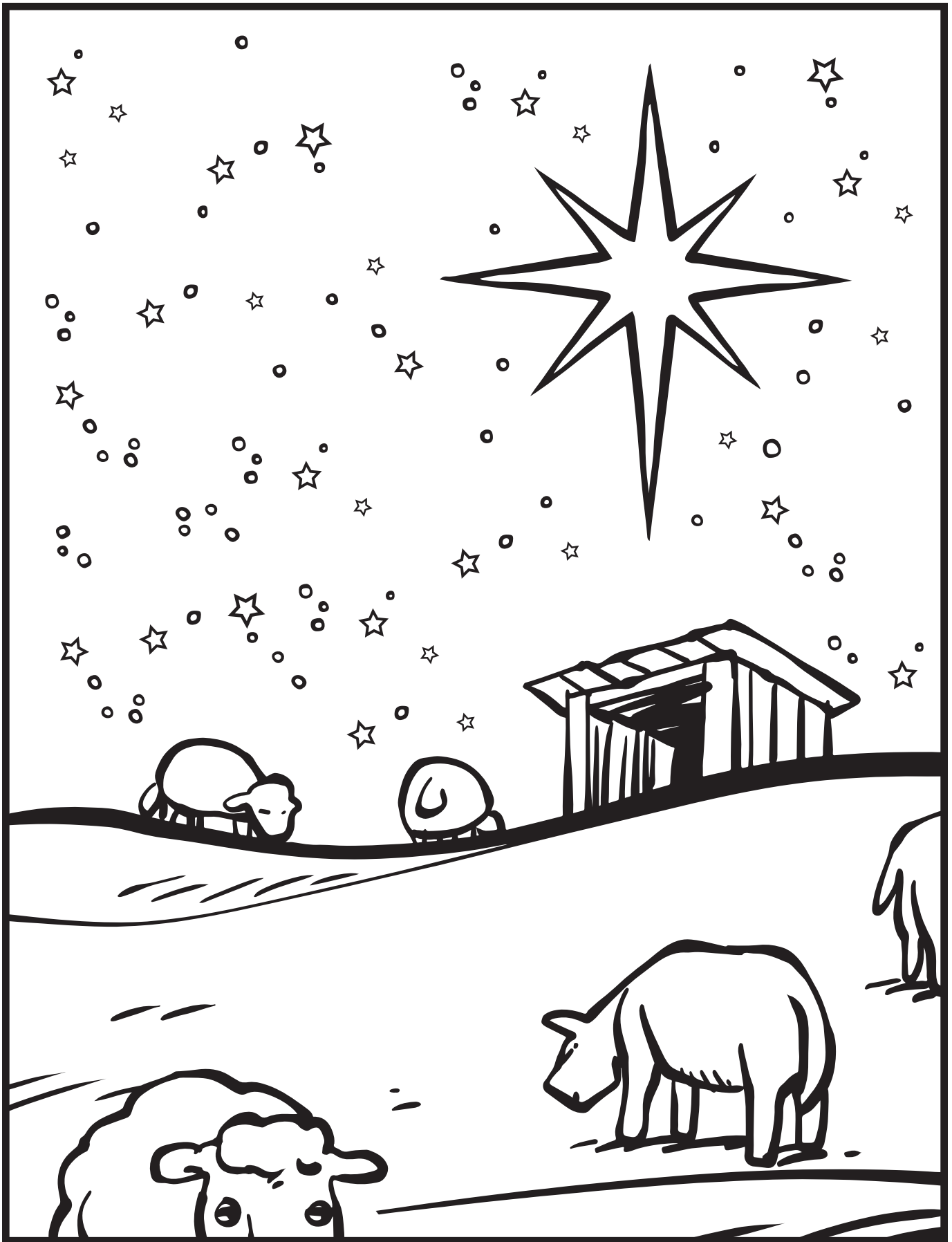
Thank You, God!

Thank God for sending Jesus to this earth!

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"Dear God, thank You so much for sending Your Son, Jesus, to this earth. I am so excited that I get to celebrate Him through this Christmas season. I pray that I can get to know Him better and by learning about the rest of His life after He was born. I love You, God. Amen."

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Thank God we get to celebrate Jesus' birth this Christmas season.

Celebrate because God sent a Savior.



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DAY 1

Read Luke 2:6-7

This is it! The week of the big day. Maybe the day you've been waiting for all year long! It's almost Christmas!

Can you imagine waiting for Christmas for more than a year? What if you had to wait for Christmas for hundreds of years? Hard to imagine right? That's longer than our lifetimes. But that's exactly what God's people had to do. They'd been waiting for a Savior for generations. And finally, Jesus was born. His long-awaited birth was a very big deal.

Have you ever seen a birth announcement?

Grab some paper and draw a picture of baby Jesus in the manger and then create a birth announcement with the following information:

**Introducing: Jesus, the Savior of the World
Born in Bethlehem**

With love, Joseph and Mary

Decorate your announcement any way you choose. Hang it on your fridge or somewhere so that your whole family can celebrate because God sent a Savior.

DAY 2

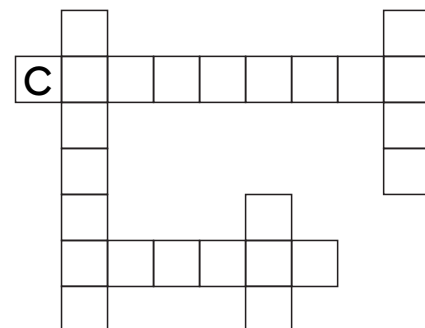
Read Luke 2:10-12

When the shepherds outside of Bethlehem looked up to find an actual angel speaking to them, they were terrified! You probably would be too. But the angel told them not to be afraid. He had good news for everyone! Jesus, the one they'd been waiting for, the Savior of the whole world was finally here.

Jesus came not as mighty warrior or powerful king but as helpless baby. Jesus' birth wasn't anything like what they expected but exactly what God had promised and planned.

Complete the puzzle below by adding the words from the word bank to the crossword. Then spend some time thanking God for sending us His one and only Son, Jesus!

Word Bank: CELEBRATE BECAUSE GOD
SENT SAVIOR



DAY 3

Read Luke 1:15-16

The first people to hear about the birth of Jesus were some smelly shepherds out in a field. They were the least connected, least powerful, least likely people to be chosen as the first people to receive this good news. And yet, that's who God chose.

Who could you tell? Can you think of someone that doesn't know the real reason why we celebrate Christmas? Maybe it's a friend that doesn't go to church or know much about the Bible. How could you share this good news? What is one thing you could do to help that friend know that Christmas is about Jesus?

DAY 4

Read Luke 1:17-18

As soon as those shepherds saw Jesus for themselves what did they do?

Yes! They told everyone. And the people who heard that good news were amazed! By sharing what they had seen, those shepherds invited others to celebrate because God had sent a Savior.

Imagine if this awesome event happened today. How would you tell everyone this big news?

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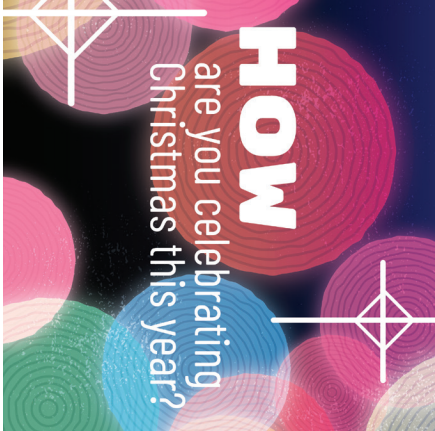
Today, the easiest way to tell everyone about something big and important is by sending a text or posting it on social media. In the space below, write a text of your own telling your friends about Jesus' birth. What would you say if you were one of those shepherds who met baby Jesus that night?



**Celebrate because  
God sent a Savior.**

Journal

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



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December \_\_\_\_\_ Week Three  
2021 4th-5th



Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

1. You liked:

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2. You learned:

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3. You'd like to know:

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Go to [bit.ly/SundaysAtHomePreeteen](http://bit.ly/SundaysAtHomePreeteen) and watch this week's episode of The So & So Show.

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!



## Day 2

**Read Luke 2:1-20**

You are probably super familiar with the story found in Luke 2:1-20. Do you think you could act it out without looking?

Grab your favorite plush animals or action figures, and give it your best shot. Then go back and re-read the story and see how close you got.

Now, grab a family member or friend, and perform the re-enactment for them. You can invite them to participate as well. After all, it's time to celebrate because God sent a Savior!

## Day 3

**Christmas is such a fun time of year, but it can also be hard—especially for people who recently lost someone they love, or who don't have enough money to buy presents or even pay their bills.**

Today, as you begin celebrating that God sent a Savior, take some time to pray for the people for whom this is a hard season.

Read the prayer below, inserting the names and needs into your prayer.



Dear God, thank You for Christmas, when we celebrate that You sent a Savior! It's such a wonderful time of year, but I know it's also hard for some people, especially

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because of .....

and .....

because of .....

Please use me to show them Your love for them, and help them to have peace and joy in this season of celebration. In Jesus' Name, I pray. Amen.

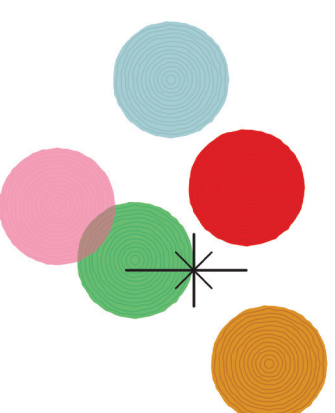


## Day 4

**Find a parent and share with them the prayer you prayed yesterday.**

Together, brainstorm one thing you could do to show them God's love and help them to celebrate that God sent a Savior.

It could be something as simple as sending them a Christmas card acknowledging the loss of their loved one, or perhaps you could show up with a pre-made Christmas dinner! Choose something that will help them and allow them to celebrate Christmas—when God sent a Savior!



## Day 5

**How are you celebrating Christmas this year??**

It is time to celebrate because God sent a Savior! Whatever your family has planned, be sure and start the day's festivities by revisiting the story of Jesus' birth. Then, pick a new tradition to start as a family to celebrate, like:

- ☐ Opening one present on Christmas Eve
- ☐ Making a Happy Birthday Jesus cake
- ☐ Roasting marshmallows in the fireplace
- ☐ Reading all the Christmas books you own
- ☐ Making Christmas cookies to deliver to the neighbors

Whatever you choose to do, have a blast—after all it's time to celebrate because God sent a Savior!