

# The Big Give: Get wrapped up in Christmas



Use this guide to help your family learn about and celebrate the Christmas story.

**First, watch this week's video!**

**Christmas: celebrating Jesus, God's greatest gift.**

**Memory Verse**

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord."  
Luke 2:11, NIV

**Bible Story**

Jesus Is Promised  
Isaiah 9:6-7

**Key Question**

What are your plans for Christmas?

## Activity

### Instant Messenger

#### What You Need:

two paper plates (or sheets of white paper); decorating supplies (markers, glue, glitter, crayons); tape; two pieces of ribbon, each about 8" long

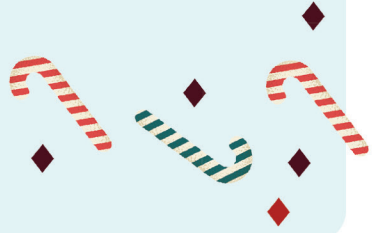
#### What You Do:

Invite your child to make a Christmas ornament with you—one that represents the angel who brought the news of Jesus' birth.

Start by decorating one side of the paper plate. Bend the paper plate into a megaphone shape (a cone, with the decorated side facing OUT). Then, tape the shape into place.

While you make your megaphone ornaments, use the section below to have a conversation with your child about today's story.

When you're finished with your ornaments, attach the ribbon to the megaphone with tape, to create a loop for hanging. Then, hang your megaphones on the tree (or somewhere you can easily see them).



## Talk About the Bible Story

What was God's plan for Jesus?

When you think about how God had a plan all along, does it help you feel confident that God has a plan for you too? Why or why not?

How can you trust that God has a plan for YOUR life?

*Parent: Share a story about a time when you had difficulty trusting God's plan for your life. How did you handle it? What happened in the end?*



## Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, Thank you for always having a plan. It's amazing how You had a plan all along to bring peace and restoration to this world. I know You have a plan for us too. Help us to trust You no matter what. In Jesus' name, Amen."