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**Star**



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## GROW AT HOME | WEEK 1

### THIS WEEK

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### NEXT WEEK

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### ASK THIS

Because sometimes you and your kid need a conversation-starter that isn't, "So . . . how was church?"

- **How did Mary respond to the angel's message?**
- **How can we let God guide us this week?**

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### REMEMBER THIS

This month, your kids are memorizing the Bible verses **Philippians 2:14** and **John 3:16**, in case you want to work on them together.

## Memory Verse

**DO EVERYTHING  
WITHOUT COMPLAINING  
AND ARGUING.**

**PHILIPPIANS 2:14 (NLT)**

**FOR GOD SO LOVED  
THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE  
HIS ONE AND ONLY SON,  
THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES IN  
HIM SHALL NOT PERISH, BUT  
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## WEEK 3

This week, kids will learn about when **Jesus is born.**

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- **THE BIBLE:** Luke 2:1-20 (John 10:14-15, 27; Psalm 25:4-5)

## WEEK 4

This week, kids will learn the story of **the wise men coming to worship Jesus.**

- **THE BIG IDEA:** God gives hope to guide us.
- **THE BIBLE:** Matthew 2:1-12 (Micah 5:2,4; Colossians 3:17)

Hi Sway Parents and Friends! We started a new series called Follow the Star! The very first Christmas didn't have Christmas trees or ornaments, but it did have something special: light and stars. In the same way the stars helped guide people, God is guiding and helping us. Our big idea of the week is "God gives direction to guide us." We referenced Luke 1:26-38; as we learned about a girl named Mary who found out that God's plan for her was very different from what she expected! Sometimes life can feel confusing, and we might not know which way to go or what to do. Thankfully, God has given us direction and help. Sometimes, God might give us direction by sending us a friend with a message like in the story of Mary, or sometimes, God shows us what to do through the Bible, so we know that we can trust God to give direction to guide us. When you have a moment with your student, go over our memory verses for this series found in Philippians 2:14 and John 3:16. The verse in Philippians says, "do everything without complaining or arguing," and John 3:16 says...

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“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.” We hope you review and use the resources made available to you to continue to help your kids grow at home this week. Tonight, encourage your student to check out the “North Star” video link below, and look out at the sky and see if you can find the North Star. Just like people can always count on this star to point them north, we can always count on God to guide us. Whenever you see this star, let it serve as a reminder that God can be trusted and He **gives direction to guide us**. That’s it, friends. Have a blessed week. See you next time!



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