

Christmas - Celebrate the Good News of Jesus' Birth

DAY 1

Visit the Parent Cue app (available for iOS and Android) to watch this week's Bible story.

Download it for free at parentcue.org/app.

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

After watching So&So, write one thing that:

1. You liked:

2. You learned:

3. You'd like to know:

DAY 2

Read Matthew 2:1–2, 9–12

Long before phones or TV, God used a star as breaking news. Wise men noticed it and left home on a very long trip. Through scorching deserts, chilly nights, and sand in their sandals, they kept going because the star said, "A King has come!" When they finally reached Jesus, he was no longer a baby, but a toddler. They knelt, worshiped, and offered gifts fit for royalty.

Think about the calendar ahead. Winter snow, spring flowers, summer games, fall colors, every season gives a reason to honor the King who never changes. You can

celebrate Jesus by thanking Him for hot cocoa warmth, sharing a soccer win with humility, or helping rake a neighbor's leaves. Each act says, "Jesus matters right now." Don't wait for Christmas lights to sparkle before you rejoice. Let God's love shine through you all year long.

Grab a piece of paper and draw a circle with four sections, one for each season—winter, spring, summer, fall. In each section, write one way you will celebrate Jesus during that season.

DAY 3

Read Matthew 2:3–8

The wise men arrived in King Herod's palace expecting to meet a newborn king, but Scripture pointed them to tiny Bethlehem instead. After seeing Jesus, God warned them in a dream not to return to Herod, so they went home by a different road. They went a different route when God told them to.

This was quick obedience. Worship isn't only singing or giving gifts; it's listening and obeying when God tells you to. Maybe God nudges you to sit with a lonely student, apologize first after an argument, or skip gossip that hurts someone's reputation.

Those "different roads" can feel awkward, yet each obedient step says, "Jesus is my King." Think of next year as just the beginning—the beginning of following God and obeying Him. When someone asks why you live that way, you can report the best news: "Jesus guides my steps."

Design a mini "Good News" newspaper front page. Add today's date, a bold headline about Jesus, and a short article explaining one way you'll follow His guidance this week.

Read Matthew 2:9–11

Read Luke 2:11

“Jesus, thank You for being the good news that never expires. Help me remember Your love, trust Your plan, and celebrate You with my words and actions every single day.”

How can you celebrate Jesus throughout the year?

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Celebrate the good news of Jesus' birth.



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

Talk About the Bible Story

Open the Bible together and read Matthew 2:1-12 or watch the video together on the Parent Cue app.

Engagement Questions

- The wise men traveled for so long to honor Jesus, what could you do to celebrate Jesus past this Christmas?
- What distractions might pull you away from worshipping Jesus throughout next year? And what can you do when those distractions come?
- What are some ways you can worship Jesus next year?

Faith and Character Activity

Scan the QR code below for activities to guide kids at every phase to trust Jesus in a way that changes how they see God, themselves, and the rest of the world.

Scan the QR code to get started



Prayer

"Dear Jesus, we worship You. We don't want to just celebrate You during Christmas time. We want to celebrate You all the time."

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ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

As your kid starts their day, serve something that you would normally only serve at Christmas. (It could even be leftovers from Christmas dinner.)



Meal Time

At a meal this week, have everyone at the table answer this question: "How can you celebrate Jesus through the year?"



Drive Time

While on the go, ask your kid: "What was the most memorable part of Christmas this year?"



Bed Time

Pray for each other: "Jesus, help us to always remember that You chose to live life like us. You chose to experience and go through things we go through. And you chose to die for us. May we honor and celebrate that every day."

More Ways to Engage with Your Kid

Faith & Character Activities



Worship Song of the Month



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