

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 Luke 1:26–38

Have your plans ever flipped last second? Maybe you studied math but faced a pop quiz in science. Mary, a teen in Nazareth, expected an ordinary day when the angel Gabriel appeared: she would carry God's Son, Jesus! For centuries, people wondered if God forgot His promise to send a Rescuer. Gabriel proved God's plan was still on schedule. Mary asked, "How?" but didn't say "No." She trusted that if God planned it, He would surely help her live it. Trust grows as we remember that God keeps His promises.

You might face surprises this Christmas or winter break; your travel plans may shift, a friend may move, or a game may be canceled. Instead of panicking, remember Mary. God always planned to send Jesus and still has a good plan for you. Ask God to help you say "Yes" even without all the answers today.

Write one surprise you are facing and then finish the sentence with: "I can trust God because ..."

DAY 3

Read Luke 1:5–25

Have you ever played charades where no words are allowed? That is what happened to Zechariah, a priest serving in Jerusalem's temple. The angel Gabriel appeared and announced that he and his wife Elizabeth would finally have a child, even though they were far too old. Their son, John, would prepare hearts for the promised Rescuer, Jesus. Zechariah doubted, so Gabriel gave him nine months of total silence to think about God's plan.

Imagine having earth-shaking news but no voice to share it! Still, Zechariah's doubt could not stop what God had already scheduled. Zechariah eventually spoke again! If your plans shift or your prayers feel unanswered this Christmas, remember Zechariah. God's clock never loses a second, and His plans never fail. Your waiting could be the stage where He shows His love in ways just for you.

Take a moment today and ask God to help you trust His schedule. Then stay alert for surprising answers He sends.

Read Luke 1:39–45

With your family, create a “Christmas Promise Playlist.” Choose three Christmas songs about Jesus coming, play them this week, and share why each reminds you of His plan.

“God, thank You for keeping every promise. Help me praise You while I wait, trust Your timing, and share Your good news when the moment comes.”

Read Luke 1:57–66

Think about all the quiet steps in this chapter: ancient

What are your plans this Christmas?

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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 Luke 1:5-66 or watch the video together on the Parent Cue app.

Engagement Questions

- Can you name a time when something that felt random turned out to be part of something good God was doing?
- Why do you think we need Jesus?
- Which part of God's rescue plan, promise, birth, life, or resurrection, most amazes you right now, and why?

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 God, Your plans are good. Your plans are holy. We thank You that You always had a plan to send Jesus."

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ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

As your kid starts their day, let them know how much you admire something about them.



Meal Time

At a meal this week, have everyone at the table answer this question: "What's the best news you've ever heard?"



Drive Time

While on the go, ask your kid: "If you were in charge of planning a fun, holiday-related activity, what would you do?"



Bed Time

Pray for each other: "God, thank You for loving us so much that You always had a plan to restore our relationship with You. May we never take that for granted."

More Ways to Engage with Your Kid

Faith & Character Activities



Worship Song of the Month



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