# HEY FAMILIES!

# Christmas

#### Here's what we're learning:



#### MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:11)

#### PROPHECY AND SILENCE

(Malachi 3:1-3, Isaiah 9:6-7)

Week 1

Brite Idea: God promised a Rescuer.

He Question: What did God promise?

Throughout the Old Testament, God made covenants with Abraham and David and their children. He promised He would send a Rescuer who would save the people from their sin.

We Question: Why can we trust God's Word?

Everything God says is true. The Old Testament has hundreds of prophecies of Jesus coming as the Rescuer. They all came true.

#### ZECHARIAH AND ELIZABETH (Luke 1:5- 25, 57-80)

Week 2

Brite Idea: God has a perfect plan.

**He Question:** What is God's perfect plan?

God's plan is to rescue His people, bring them back to a relationship with Him and to make all things new again one day. God is always working to accomplish His plan.

We Question: What can we do when we feel discouraged?

Even when we don't understand what is happening, we can trust that God is working and His ways are best. When life feels dark, God can bring hope at the perfect time. He uses tough situations for our good and His glory.

### MARY AND THE ANGEL (Luke 1:26-45)

Week 3

Brite Idea: Jesus is the Son of God.

He Question: Who is Jesus?

There is one true God shown to us in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Jesus is the Rescuer promised since the beginning of the world.

• We Question: Why does it matter that Jesus is the Son of God?

The "Son of God" means Jesus is God. He came to be the perfect sacrifice, taking the punishment for our sin. No person can be perfect. Only God is without sin. Only God could defeat sin and be raised from the dead. Because Jesus is the Son of God, He is able to rescue us from our sin.

#### JESUS IS BORN (Luke 2:1-20)

Week 4

Brite Idea: Jesus was born to rescue us.

**He Question:** Why did Jesus come as a baby?

Jesus could have come to Earth as a king or a warrior, but He humbled Himself to come as a tiny baby. He lived a full human life, experiencing all the same things we do. Jesus came to rescue us.

**We Question:** How can a baby save us from our sins?

Jesus grew up and lived a perfect life. He died on the cross to take the punishment for our sin. He rose again, defeating death and making a way for us to live with God forever.

## **MAGI** (Matthew 2:1-12)

Week 5

Brite Idea: Jesus is King.

**He Question:** What is Jesus King over?

Jesus is King over all things. He has authority over everything in heaven and on earth.

We Question: What gift can we give our King?

... We can honor Jesus with how we live our lives through trusting Him as Savior and following Him as our King. We can tell others about Him and the gift of who Jesus is.



SUNDAY EMEMBER & RESPOND	MONDAY WONDER & DISCUSS	TUESDAY EXPLORE	WEDNESDAY REVIEW	THURSDAY  PUT INTO PRACTICE	FRIDAY & SATURDAY  PREPARE AHEAD
God promised a Rescuer. What does this mean for me?	READ TOGETHER: Isaiah 7:14 What does Immanuel mean?	Play a game of hide and seek. Take turns "rescuing" each other from being hidden.	LUKE 2:11 What does it mean to be a savior?	Create a family promise. Make the focus of the promise how you can love each other best this month. Post it somewhere it is seen daily.	Talk about names for Jesus your family would add to the list in the verse.  READ TOGETHER: Isaiah 9:6–7  DISCUSS:  What does this teach us about God?
God has a perfect plan. What does this mean for me?	READ TOGETHER: Ephesians 2:10 How does it feel to know God has always had a plan?	Set a cozy environment in your home for a family prayer night. Pray for God to guide your family together.	LUKE 2:11 How was Jesus a part of God's plan?	Make a plan for a way you can show someone else in your family how much you care about them this week.	Plan the perfect night for your family. Set a date for your plan!  READ TOGETHER: Jeremiah 29:11  DISCUSS:  What does this teach us about God?
Jesus is the Son of God. What does this mean for me?	READ TOGETHER: John 3:16 Why did God send His Son?	Make a decree about your day and share with the family (like the angel did with Mary).	LUKE 2:11 Did God have to send His Son?	Think about something God is calling you to do that is a little scary. Pray together as a family for courage like Mary's.	Share about a time you've stepped out in faith.  **READ TOGETHER:** Luke 1: 35–38  **DISCUSS:** What does this teach us about God?
Jesus was born to rescue. What does this mean for me?	READ TOGETHER: 2 Corinthians 5:21 How are we able to be the righteousness of God?	Pick your favorite Christmas worship songs. Spend time together praising God for sending His Son.	LUKE 2:11 Why do you think Jesus came as a baby?	Make a special family dessert to welcome baby Jesus. Say a prayer of thanks to God for His birth!	Make a list of things to glorify God like the sheperds in v. 20. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 2:1–20 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?
Jesus is King. What does this mean for me?	READ TOGETHER: Daniel 7:13–14 What's different about Jesus' kingdom?	Take turns being king of the family for the day. Who's the best "ruler"?	LUKE 2:11  How can we thank Jesus for being our King and Savior?	Think of a family friend that might not know Jesus as King of their life. Talk about a way to share the good news with them!	Create your own North Star to put up at home as a reminder to always seek Jesus.  READ TOGETHER: Matthew 2:1–12  DISCUSS:  What does this teach us about God?