

# Family Together Time

For families with children ages 3 to 6

Lesson 1

**An Angel Announces Jesus' Birth:** Matthew 1; Luke 1

## Family Talk

The holiday season can be a very busy time filled with

programs, gatherings, and shopping. We should not allow ourselves to be so full of activity that we rob our children of the joy of learning God's Word. Take time to enjoy the wondrous birth of the baby announced by the angel. Create family memories focused on the love of Jesus.

The apostle Paul wrote, "Thanks be to God for his gift that is too wonderful to explain" (2 Corinthians 9:15). Like Paul, let us thank God for His grace and the babe He packaged it in.

## Daily Talks with God

Use these thoughts at mealtimes, bedtimes, or other times when you pray with your child this week.

God, thank You for the angel who told Mary she would have a special baby boy.

Thank You, God, for Mary and Joseph.

God, help us tell the good news about Jesus to others.

## Bible Memory FUN

**Matthew 2:1, 2**

Find these verses in a family Bible. Using an angel figure or paper cutout, mark a spot at the dinner table. The individual with the marker

will lead the family in saying the Bible verses together.

This week, help your child remember:

**We can share good news about Jesus.**



## Family Fun...

**Where Was Jesus Born?** Locate

a globe or a map. Help your child find the country, state, and town where you live. Then help locate Israel and the town of Nazareth. Explain that Nazareth is the town where Joseph and Mary lived. Then locate Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus. Look at the distance Joseph and Mary had to travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Look for additional information about these cities to share with your child.

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