

Family Together Time

For families with children ages 3 to 6

Lesson 3

Shepherds Visit Jesus: Luke 2:8-20

Family Talk

"Glory to God in heaven, and on earth let there be peace to the

people who please God" (Luke 2:14). What a birth announcement! Jumping to their feet, the shepherds rushed into Bethlehem. Their excitement probably grew as they approached the manger site.

Soon, however, the shepherds returned to their fields, and life settled back to its routine. Though there were no longer angels in the sky, Mary "continued to think about them" (Luke 2:19). You can help your child follow Mary's example. Together, take time to treasure the presence of Christ daily.

Daily Talks with God

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

We praise You, God, because You sent us a special baby—Jesus!

Thank You, God, for shepherds who told what they had seen.

God, help me to tell my friends that Jesus was born.

Bible Memory FUN

Matthew 2:1, 2

Find these verses in a family Bible. Pick a road that is commonly used during the week and name it Bible Memory Lane.

Every time you and your child

travel down that street, say the Bible verses together.

This week, help your child remember:

We can tell others Jesus was born.



Family Fun...

Sharing Artwork. Ask your child what he thinks the shepherds saw when they went to visit Jesus. Talk about the people and animals that might have been present that special night. Read Luke 2:8-20. Give your child a white sheet of paper and have him draw what the shepherds might have seen when they arrived at the manger. Together, think of someone with whom to share the message of Jesus' birth through your child's artwork.

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