

The First Christmas Gift

Jesus is Born Luke 1:26-38; 2:1-20; Matthew 1:18-25





Challenge your child to retell the story. Help him or her remember key details by asking the following questions:

- ➡ What did the angels tell Mary and Joseph? (Mary would have a baby who would be God's Son.)
- **★ What good news did the angel tell the shepherds?** ("Your Savior has been born.")

Read the following final thought aloud to your child to help increase his or her understanding:

A savior is someone who rescues someone else. Sin creates a separation between us and God that we cannot repair. Thankfully, God loved us enough to send Jesus, our Savior, to save us from our sin and bring us back to Him.



Together, discover how this specific lesson ties into God's Big Story. Read the following aloud to your child:

Sin separates us from God. But God loves us so much that He made a plan to bring us back to Him. God sent His Son, Jesus, to be our Savior.



The Savior (clasp your hands together tightly in the air)

—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born (rock your arms back and forth as if cradling a baby) today in Bethlehem, the city of David! And this will be a sign (look and point up) for you; you will find a baby (arms rocking a baby)

wrapped in swaddling cloths (motion your arms as if to wrap a blanket around the baby) and lying in a manger (act like you place the baby in the manger).

Luke 2:11-12



Dear God,

Thank You for making a way for me to know and love You. Thank you for sending Jesus to be my Savior.

Amen.

