### The Best Gift of All

#### BIBLE PASSAGE: Luke 1:26-2:20

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1. What has been the best gift you have ever received? (Answers vary)
- 2. How did Jesus come to the earth? (As a baby)
- 3. Did Jesus exist before He came to earth? (Yes-He has always existed as a King on a throne with angels praising His name)
- 4. Who were Jesus' earthly parents? (Mary and Joseph)
- 5. Who appeared to Mary and Joseph, separately? How did they feel? (Angels appeared to them. They were both afraid at first.)
- 6. Why did Mary and Joseph go to Bethlehem? (The ruler wanted to count everyone)
- 7. Where was Jesus born? (In Bethlehem, in a stable surrounded with animals)
- 8. Who came to worship Jesus? (Wise men and shepherds-from Bible text)
- 9. What is the best gift that God has freely given us? (Jesus-to save us)
- 10. What do we learn about who God is in our lesson today? (Answers may vary)

#### \*Recall the Bible story

#### Things you need: "Jesus is the Reason" coloring page and crayons

As your child colors, ask them the discussion questions. Help them answer any questions and see if they have any additional questions.

#### \* Crossword

Things you need: "Nativity Crossword" page and a pencil or crayon Help your child discover the words that are important to our Bible passage and video today.

#### \*Activity Sheets

Things you need: Print the additional activity sheets.

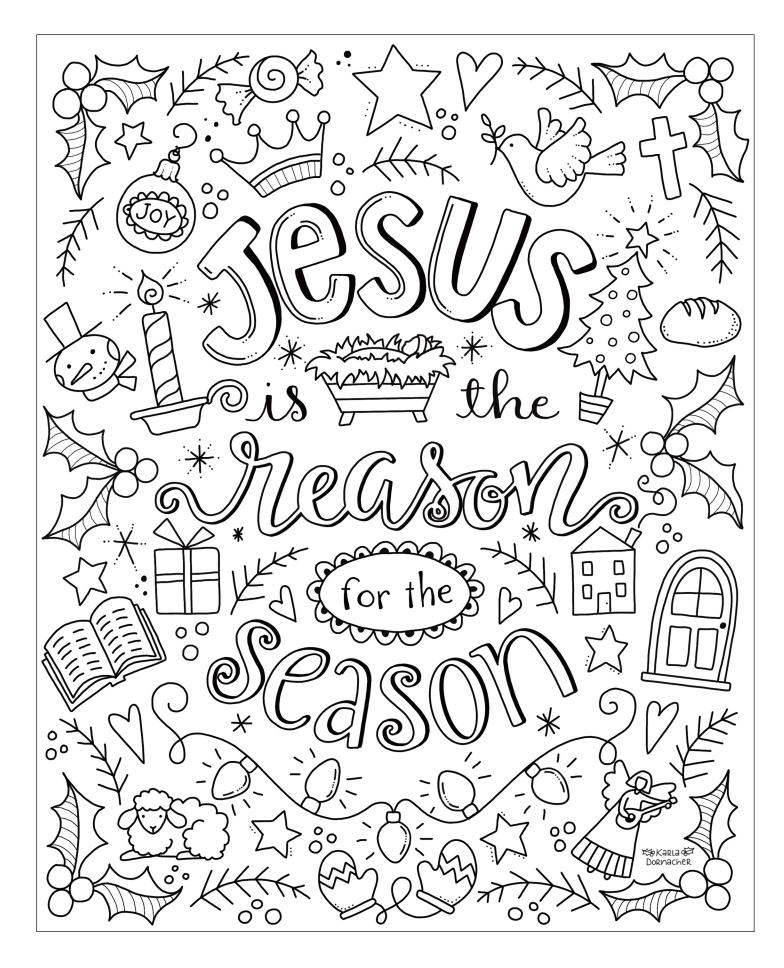
Have some fun reinforcing what the Bible taught us today. It is a great time as a family to read through the story of the birth of Jesus together this week. (Luke 1:26-2:20)

#### Pray

Christmastime can mean a lot of great fun for families. We have special family meals, decorate our houses with lights and trees, and may even get to open lots of presents. Pray that you will know what is the <u>best</u> gift that has ever been given – Jesus. Pray that you will put your trust in Him and be forgiven of your sins. Then you will enjoy spending eternity with Him, singing with angels, as He sits on His throne. He's there right now just as He was before He came to earth as a baby!

#### \*Memorize

Ask your kids if they can do the motions and memorize this month's verse together: "May the Lord of peace give you peace at all times in every way. May the Lord be with you all." 2 Thessalonians 4:13



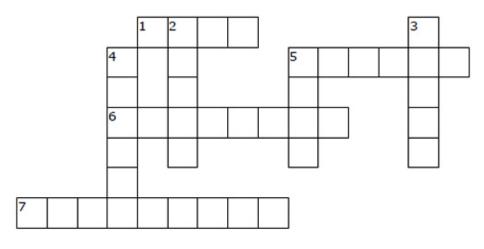
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## ACROSS

- 1. An infant or very young child
- The place where Mary laid the baby Jesus
- A person who takes care of sheep
- 7. The city where Jesus was born

### DOWN

- Heavenly being that told the shepherds about Jesus' birth
- 3. The savior of the world
- 4. The earthly father of Jesus
- 5. The mother of Jesus

JOSEPH	ANGEL	BETHLEHEM	BABY
MARY	SHEPHERD	JESUS	MANGER



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