

An illustration of a tomb entrance in a rocky landscape. The tomb is a dark, arched opening with a white cloth folded on a stone slab inside. In the background, three wooden crosses stand on a hill under a blue sky with light clouds. The foreground shows large, dark brown rocks and a sandy ground.

**New Era Church - SON Shiners Children's Ministry**

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# Travel to Bethlehem

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete the maze to lead Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem to be counted.



*Younger Kids Activity Pages*  
**Christmas • Session 3**  
**Jesus Was Born**

**BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

- The prophet Isaiah wrote about a Prince of Peace who would come to the world.
- Jesus is God the Son, who came to earth as a human baby.
- Jesus was born to bring peace between God and people.

**KEY PASSAGE:** Hosea 13:4

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

- Is there anything God cannot do? God can do all things according to His character.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

- Why is it important that Jesus came as a human baby?
- Why do you think Jesus was not born as a royal prince in a palace?
- How did Jesus bring peace between God and people?

**FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

- Take your family Christmas caroling. Spend some time learning additional verses to a few classic carols. Focus on songs that teach the whole gospel, such as “Hark, the Herald Angel Sings” or “The First Noel.” Use this time to share the good news with others.



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**STORY POINT: JESUS WAS BORN TO BRING PEACE BETWEEN GOD AND PEOPLE.**

*Jesus Was Born*  
Isaiah 9, Luke 2

# Journal Page

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?



- FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS**
- What is the best news you've ever heard?
  - Where was Jesus born? Why?
  - What can you do when you have to wait?

## Jesus Was Born

Isaiah 9; Luke 2

**STORY POINT: JESUS WAS BORN TO BRING PEACE BETWEEN GOD AND PEOPLE.**

When sin entered the world, peace between God and people was broken. But God promised to send a Rescuer. Many years later, Isaiah the prophet said, "A child will be born for us, a son will be given to us! He will be called the Prince of Peace."

God chose to send His Son, Jesus, to earth as a baby, and He chose Mary to be Jesus' mother. Mary was engaged to Joseph. Joseph and Mary left their home in Nazareth and traveled to Bethlehem.

While they were there, the time came for Mary to have her baby. Mary wrapped Baby Jesus tightly in cloth, and she laid Him in a manger.

In the same region, some shepherds were staying out in the fields and watching their sheep. All of a sudden, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and they were terrified! The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid! I have very good news for you: Today a Savior, who is Messiah the Lord, was born for you in the city of David."

All of a sudden, many angels appeared, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace on earth to people He favors!" So the shepherds went straight to Bethlehem to find Baby Jesus. They found Mary and Joseph, and the baby. The shepherds went and told others about the baby Jesus.

*Christ Connection: The birth of Jesus was good news! Jesus was not an ordinary baby. He was God's Son, sent to earth from heaven. Jesus came into the world to bring peace between people and God. He came to save people from their sins and to be their King.*



# Christmas Word Scramble

Unscramble the letters in each set of ornaments to find words related to Jesus' birth.














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## Baby Names

Look up each verse and list the names for Jesus found in the Bible.

- Matthew 1:23 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 1:29 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 8:12 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 6:35 \_\_\_\_\_
- Isaiah 9:6 \_\_\_\_\_
- Luke 2:11 \_\_\_\_\_

