



Three Nights Before Christmas

A family Christmas devotional

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LONG BEFORE JESUS WAS BORN

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LESSON #1

KIDS GUIDE

1

Discover Truth

Watch the lesson video as a family (see link above) and write down some of your thoughts.

2

Talk about it

Answer these questions together as a family.

1. Warm up: which family has the best Christmas lights in your neighborhood?
2. Read [Isaiah 9:2](#). Then read [John 1:4-5](#). Why do you think the Bible calls Jesus "light"? What does light help us to do?
3. Read [Isaiah 9:6](#). Identify all the names for Jesus in this passage. What do those names seem to be saying about who Jesus is?

3

Live it out

Complete these activities as a family:

- ☐ Identify a person or family that you know is in need. Come up with a plan for how you could bless them this Christmas season. Then go do it! You'll see that giving is way more fun than receiving!
- ☐ Close your devotional time together with a family prayer.

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THE CHRISTMAS FAMILY TREE

LESSON #2

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KIDS GUIDE

1 Discover Truth

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2 Talk about it

Answer these questions together as a family.

1. Read [Matthew 1:1-17](#) as a family. Who is the first name on that list? Share what you know about him from the Bible.
2. List some of the other names you recognized from that list.
3. As a family, pick the top three funniest names on the list.
4. Who is the person in Jesus' family tree that was also mentioned in [Isaiah 9](#) from Lesson 1? What do you know about him from the Bible?

3 Live it out

Complete these activities as a family:

- ☐ Parents, create your family tree. Go as far back as you can. Share whatever information you have on each person.
- ☐ Kids, make a special Christmas card for your grandparents (or another person in your family). Tell them "thanks" for being in your life and include a Bible verse in the card.
- ☐ Close your devotional time together with a family prayer.

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HOW JESUS GOT HIS NAME

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KIDS GUIDE

1 Discover Truth

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2 Talk about it

Answer these questions together as a family.

1. Read [Luke 1:26-33](#) as a family. What do you think Mary was thinking when the angel appeared to her?
2. What did the angel say to Mary? Does that message sound familiar? Where else did we see this message? (Hint: it was in one of our earlier lessons.)
3. What does the name "Jesus" mean? Write it out in its two parts.

3 Live it out

Complete these activities as a family:

- ☐ Parents, share the story of how you chose the names of each of your kids. Then, share something you love about each of your kids.
- ☐ Kids, look up the meaning of your own name or of the names of your friends. (See babynames.net.)
- ☐ Close your devotional time together with a family prayer.

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