

Simply Christmas: No Assembly Required

Use this guide to help your family celebrate Christmas all month long.

First, watch
this week's
video!

Christmas:
Celebrating
Jesus, God's
greatest gift

Memory Verse

Today in the town
of David a Savior
has been born
to you. He is the
Messiah, the Lord.
Luke 2:11, NIV

Bible Story

Jesus is Born
Luke 2:1-7

Bottom Line

God loved us so
much that He gave
us a Savior.

Activity

The Christmas Story

WHAT YOU NEED:

Stuffed animals or action figures, a blanket

WHAT YOU DO:

Invite your child to act out the Christmas story using stuffed animals or action figures as you read it aloud.

If needed, give suggestions to your child about how they can use the characters to act out different parts of the story. (For example, they can use the blanket to wrap up baby Jesus.)

Read directly from the Bible, Luke 2:1-7. (You might even want to video your child's version of the story to send to friends and relatives!)

Say, "Great job acting out the Christmas story! I hope you remember—in the middle of all the Christmas craziness—that all of this is really about a baby, born long ago, sent from God for you and me. God showed just how much He loves us by choosing to send us Jesus!"



Talk About the Bible Story

Why is it so fun to receive a gift, even if it's a small one?

What's the gift you're most excited about giving this year?

What could you give that isn't a "thing"?

Parent: Share a personal story about a time you gave a gift that made you feel better than if you had received it.

Why did God send Jesus for us? (*Because He loves us!*)

Why did we need a Savior? (*We sin, and our sin separates us from God. When Jesus died on the cross, He paid the price for the sins of the world. Jesus made it possible for us to have a relationship with God.*)



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You sent us the greatest gift ever—the gift of your Son, Jesus. Please help us to pause this Christmas to remember the real reason we're celebrating. We're celebrating the birth of a baby—a baby who would change everything. Because of Jesus' birth, we can have a relationship with You that will last forever! Help us to think about ways we can share Your love as we give this Christmas. We love You. Amen!"