

# The Story at Home

**Timeless Truth:** God sent a Savior for the world. I can believe Jesus is my Savior.

**Bible Verse:** "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

**Key Passages:** John 1:1-18; Luke 1:26-2:20

**Resources:** *The Story for Children* Ch. 22: "The Birth of a King."



Grade 1

Kindergarten

Watch this surprising video on Christ's birth:

[www.creativepastors.com/product\\_1764?stream=Upside\\_Down\\_MPEG1](http://www.creativepastors.com/product_1764?stream=Upside_Down_MPEG1).

The video begins with a person who doubts the miracle of Jesus' birth. But once Jesus changes his heart and gives him hope, the same text is read upside down. The truth is Jesus turns our lives upside down. Instead of being selfish, we become selfless. Instead of wanting earthly treasures, we lay up treasures in heaven. After watching the video, have family members talk about one difference that Jesus has made in their lives.

**God used angels a lot to bring his message to people. Angels spoke to Mary, explained things to Joseph, and proclaimed Jesus' birth to the shepherds. What would you say if an angel appeared to you?**

**If you saw an angel, you'd probably be scared.**

**That's why the angels always say, "do not be afraid." After you stopped being scared, what question would you want to ask an angel?**

**Why do you think the angels appeared to shepherds instead of powerful, rich people?**

**The Bible says, “Mary kept these things like a secret treasure in her heart.” What do you think that means?**

**Not a lot is recorded about Jesus’ growing-up years. Do you think Jesus was a good kid? Why do you think that?**

Share with your children “secret treasures in your heart” about them.

Any time is the perfect time to celebrate Jesus Christ’s birth. Watch a video of the Go Fish song “Christmas with a Capital C.” You can find two versions on YouTube.

One of the videos shows pictures of the Go Fish band members. The other pictures a house that has its Christmas lights timed to go with the song. Your family could watch each one as you listen to the song’s powerful lyrics.

Society is trying to push out the miracle of Christ’s birth from the holidays. But like the song says, “Jesus came down to take the punishment for me. He did it for you, too, so maybe you can see why it’s called Christmas.”

Fight the trend of taking Christ out of Christmas by putting Christ in everyday. Think of somebody you know who could use a dose of cheer. As a family pick out a present that costs less than \$10. Wrap it and give it to them. Let them know that Jesus has given you so much that you want to give a little away, too. Jesus’ love can’t be contained! And when Christmas comes around, make sure that everybody around you knows that Jesus loves them.



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