

PRESCHOOL ACTIVITY GUIDE

TODAY'S STORY: Jesus is Born

TEACHING TRUTH: Jesus is God's greatest gift

ACTIVITY 1: STORY REVIEW - Act It Out

SUPPLIES: Bible, stuffed animals or dolls

- 1. Help your child act out the story while you read it from Luke 2:1-7 or from your favorite children's Bible.
- 2. You can assign different people roles to play (Example: Joseph, Mary, Innkeeper, Augustus Caesar, etc.) or have your child use dolls and stuffed animals to help them act it out.
- 3. As you read, note when a new character comes into the story, and help your child act out the part with small lines or actions. For example: the innkeeper could say, "No room!" to Mary and Joseph, or you could have your child make animal noises when Mary and Joseph come to the stable, etc.
- 4. When you are finished reading and acting out the story, remind your child of God's great plan to rescue the world from sin by sending Jesus. Jesus is the very best gift God has ever given us.

ACTIVITY 2: TEACHING TRUTH REVIEW – Jesus is God's greatest gift

SUPPLIES: Birthday decorations (balloons, streamers, etc.), Bible, fun snack, craft supplies

- 1. Throw a birthday party for Jesus! Start by hanging some simple birthday decorations.
- 2. If you have craft supplies on hand, you can let everyone make birthday cards or signs for the party.
- 3. Read the Christmas story from Luke 2:1-7 or from your favorite children's Bible.
- 4. In conclusion to the story say, "Remember, God promised to send a Savior to rescue the world from sin. Jesus is the Savior that God promised! Jesus is God's greatest gift. Let's celebrate Him!"
- 5. Sing "Happy Birthday" to Jesus and enjoy a fun snack together in celebration.

ACTIVITY 3: MEMORY VERSE REVIEW – John 3:16 – Rockstar

SUPPLIES: Memory verse song (on the Preschool Kids Kit page), something to use as a microphone

- 1. Sit in a circle on the floor.
- 2. Give one person a fake microphone. You could use a spatula, hairbrush, ice cream scoop, etc.
- 3. Play the memory verse song and have the entire group sing along. Whoever has the microphone gets to stand in the center of the circle and be the Rock Star.
- 4. When the song is over, pass the microphone to the next person.
- 5. Repeat until everyone has had a chance to be the Rock Star.