

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Lesson Passage—John 1:1-5, 9-14

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome<sup>o</sup> it.

<sup>9</sup> The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. <sup>12</sup> Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— <sup>13</sup> children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

<sup>14</sup> The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Through God's word we discover what is right and true.  
Then we live it out in all we say and do.



## The Christ of Christmas—2



## THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

Who is Jesus?

## MEMORY VERSE

### John 1:14

*(The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.) We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

# Thinking It Through

## Level 3—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of the child, or parent preference, the child may do the work in this journal independently or read with and dictate an answer to the parent. After reading the day’s rhyme and the Bible verse, the child should draw a picture that relates to that day’s reading and answer the question at the bottom of the page. Have the child answer questions about the day’s reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week’s big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory. Depending on the age and/or ability of the child, either the whole verse or the part of the verse between brackets on the cover can be memorized.
- **Concluding Lesson:** The parent should discuss with the child the **Thinking it Through** questions: What important truth did you learn this week? How can you apply that truth in your life? After discussing the questions the child should write down (or dictate to the parent) the answers and a prayer at the end of the booklet. The child can then complete the other activities.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day’s work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn’t always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

The important truth I learned this week is:

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I can apply that truth by:

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My prayer to God is:

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## Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: What is the nativity? Who was Jesus' mother? Who came to speak to her?

Day 2: What did Gabriel say to Mary? How did Mary respond to what he said?

Day 3: Who was Joseph? Why was he a good man? Why is Jesus called God's Son?

Day 4: What town did God choose as the birthplace of his son? How did Mary and Joseph get there? What happened when they arrived?

Day 5: Where was Jesus born? Where was he laid? What is God's law? What does God's law show us? How does Jesus fulfill God's law?

Day 6: Why is Jesus the greatest gift of all? Why did he come to earth?

## Concluding Lesson

Questions: What happened one night as the shepherds were watching their sheep? Where did they find Jesus? What did the shepherds do when they found the baby? What did the shepherds tell others?

Prayer: Thank God that Jesus never sinned and therefore was a perfect sacrifice for our sins. Thank God that he loves us so much that he sent his Son to die for our sins as the perfect sacrificial lamb. Thank Jesus for all he has done for you and pray that you would live a life that pleases him.

Application: Share with someone what happened when Jesus was born. Make a nativity ornament to hang on your Christmas tree.

Thinking It Through: Have the child write or dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson, how he/she can apply that truth, and a prayer to God.

## Christmas 2

# Who is Jesus?



Jesus is the Living Word who came to earth to reveal God's glory.

## Day 1 Draw a picture of Jesus in the manger.

The nativity is the scene  
of our precious Savior's birth.  
Jesus the Messiah  
came to live upon the earth.  
The humble, little baby  
laying in the straw  
Is the God of all the universe  
we worship with great awe!

What does the verse mean?

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Luke 1:26-28: <sup>26</sup> In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, <sup>27</sup> to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup> The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

## Day 6 Draw a picture of angels surrounding the manger.

To save us from our sin  
Jesus came to live on earth,  
The prophecy came to pass  
through Jesus' humble birth.  
The gift God gives through Jesus  
is the greatest gift of all,  
Coming as our Savior,  
born in an animal stall.

What does the verse mean?

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John 3:16-17: <sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

## Day 5

Draw a picture of animals in the stable.

There in a little stable  
where animals live and eat,  
Mary bore a baby son  
and wrapped him in a sheet.  
And so God's Son came to earth  
and lay upon the straw,  
The baby in a manger,  
the fulfillment of God's law.

What does the verse mean?

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Luke 2:6-7: <sup>6</sup> While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, <sup>7</sup> and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

## Day 2

Draw a picture of Gabriel speaking to Marty

His mother was a virgin  
who lived in Nazareth town.  
To speak to her the Father  
sent the angel Gabriel down.  
Gabriel said that Mary  
would have a special baby boy.  
She would bear the Son of God  
to bring all people joy.  
Mary was quite frightened,  
her heart was full of dread,  
But she obeyed the Father's will  
and trusted what he said.

What does the verse mean?

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Luke 1:29-31: <sup>29</sup> Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup> But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup> You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.

## Day 3

Draw a picture of Mary and Joseph

She was pledged to marry Joseph  
and be his loving bride.  
Even though the baby wasn't his,  
he stayed right by her side.  
An angel had told Joseph  
to take Mary as his wife,  
Because by the Holy Spirit  
the child was given life.

What does the verse mean?

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Matthew 1:18-20:<sup>18</sup> This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit.<sup>19</sup> Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.<sup>20</sup> But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit."

## Day 4

Draw a picture of Mary on a donkey.

God had chosen Bethlehem  
as the birthplace of his Son,  
So people of all nations  
would know he was the One.  
So Mary and Joseph traveled  
on a donkey far away.  
When they arrived in Bethlehem  
they found no place to stay.

What does the verse mean?

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Luke 2:4-5:<sup>4</sup> So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.<sup>5</sup> He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.