

God is Lord and King

Year 2

Christmas

At Christmas we celebrate Jesus who God sent into the world to save us. Through His birth and death, we have eternal life and peace with God. He is our redeemer.

Bible references:

Bible stories and passages

Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-40 – The Birth of Jesus

Matthew 2:1-12 – The Visit of the Magi

Luke 2: 8-20 – The shepherds and the angels

Matthew 1 – Descendants of David through Jesus Christ

Numbers 24:17 – Star of Jacob, Star of David

Memory verses

Luke 2:11 – For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, the Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.

Matthew 1:21 – “Mary will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins.”

Isaiah 9:6 – A child is born to us! A Son is given to us! And He will be our ruler. He will be called “Wonderful”, “Counselor”, “Mighty God”, “Eternal Father”, “Prince of Peace”.

Isaiah 26:3 You, Lord, give perfect peace to those who keep their purpose firm and put their trust in you.

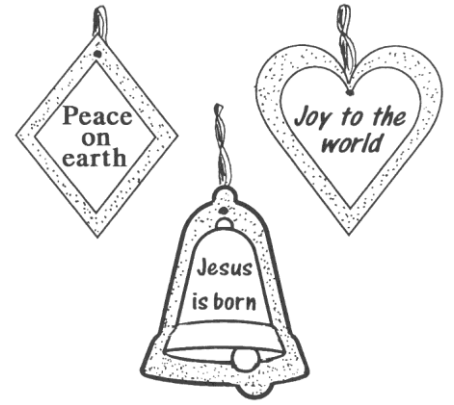
Art Year 2


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Topic: Christmas

Biblical connection: God sent His son, Jesus into the world to be Lord and King in the lives of people.

Bible art as a wall display: The Christmas story



<p>Christmas 1</p> <p>Give 10 completely different uses for a Christmas tree ball.</p>	<p>Christmas 2</p> <p>Write down 10 presents you know you will NEVER receive at Christmas.</p>
<p>Christmas 3</p> <p>Name 5 things that are the same about a Christmas cake and a choir.</p>	<p>Christmas 4</p> <p>Add to this shape to make a manger scene.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>
<p>Christmas 5</p> <p>Make a manger using:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• boxes• construction paper• paint	<p>Christmas 5</p> <p>The answer is</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“King Jesus”.</p> <p>Make up 5 questions.</p>

Christmas Activities from *Focus on the Family*

Character Cards

At Christmas time, you can create birthday cards for Jesus, and as our “gift” to Him. The family can try to show the fruit of the Spirit in their lives, (Galatians 5:22-23). For one child it might be patience, for another self-control. You can brainstorm situations and actions that strengthen our patience, such as waiting for a turn, or self-control in sharing belongings without becoming angry.

A Crib of Kindness

Make a manger out of a box. Each time your children does something to be praised, such as a good deed, obeying, or praying for others, he or she can put a soft piece of cotton in the manger. Talk about how Jesus wants us to do kind things for others because doing so helps soften our hearts to love others.

Names of Jesus

Cut out stars from card and write “Jesus is ...” on each one. Then write words that describe Jesus, such as “Savior,” “Emmanuel” and “Prince of Peace.” For family devotions that night, talk about the different names of Jesus. Creating these stars to decorate the kitchen is a great way to engage children in remembering the character of Jesus.

The Gift of Scripture

Ask your immediate and extended family to select a Scripture that meant something to them during the course of the year. On Christmas morning, take turns reading the chosen verses or passages and sharing why it was important to you.

Finding Jesus

“Find the baby Jesus” is a game that can be played. Set up a Nativity scene in the kitchen on Dec. 1. Then hide a figure of baby Jesus far from the kitchen. The children have to find baby Jesus. As Christmas approaches, the figure can be hidden in progressively closer locations.

Ideas for Serving Others This Christmas Season

We’re called to humbly serve other people — not only the poor and sick, but our families, friends and neighbors, too. Ask your children to come up with ideas on how to serve others – family, close friends, neighbours and the community. Put the ideas on slips of paper and put them into a jar, then pull out an idea each day.