



CELEBRATING JESUS

A 5-Day Read and Pray Christmas Devotional for Kids



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CHRISTMAS IS A TIME TO CELEBRATE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.
BUT WHY DO WE CELEBRATE AND WHO ARE WE CELEBRATING?

THIS 5-DAY DEVOTIONAL WILL TAKE YOU THROUGH THE STORY OF
HOW GOD PLANNED TO SEND JESUS, WHO JESUS IS AND WHY WE
REALLY CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS.

EACH DAY'S DEVOTION HAS A QUESTION FOR YOU TO REFLECT ON
AND A PRAYER TO PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR CHRISTMAS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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DAY 1

The Prophets spoke about His birth

How many prophets in the Bible can you name? Prophets were people chosen by God to tell the Israelites about what He was going to do. God had spoken through so many prophets about the birth of Jesus. Isaiah was one of the prophets. He gave a very important message in Isaiah 7:14.

Isaiah told King Ahaz of Judah that God was going to send a sign, a baby will be born by a young unmarried woman and, His name will be called Immanuel, meaning God is with us.

The Israelites had to wait for this baby for so long that they wondered if God would fulfill His promise of sending a Savior.

Reflection Question: How do you think the people felt as they waited for this prophecy to be fulfilled?

READ A VERSE



But the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be pregnant. She will have a son, and she will name him Immanuel.

Isaiah 7:14, ICB

SAY A PRAYER



Thank you God for your amazing plan to send Jesus to the world for us. Thank you for all the prophets you sent that talked about the birth of Jesus. Their words brought hope as the people waited for you. Fill me with your hope as I read your word this Christmas in Jesus name, amen.





DAY 2

The Bible tells us who He is

Do you know what you will be getting for Christmas? It could be anything right? It could be a toy you have always wanted, a book, a board game, etc.

The people had been waiting and waiting for the birth of Jesus, they didn't know what to expect. Who will be his parents, where will He be born, What will He look like, they had so many questions. The Bible tells us about this wonderful gift the world was expecting and who He is.

The Bible tells us that Jesus is King (Zechariah 9:9), He is Immanuel- God with us (Matthew 1:23), He is the Savior (Luke 2:11) and so much more. The people were not just waiting for an ordinary baby, they were waiting for God's Son!

Reflection Question: Who is Jesus to you?

READ A VERSE



A child will be born to us.
God will give a son to us.
He will be responsible for leading the people.
His name will be Wonderful Counselor, Powerful God, Father Who Lives Forever, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6, ICB

SAY A PRAYER



Thank you God for showing me your goodness and love when you sent Jesus to the world. Thank you for who Jesus is. Help me to think about who He is as I celebrate, to remember that He is King, Immanuel, Savior and the Son of God. Amen.





DAY 3

An Angel appeared to Mary and Joseph

It was time for God to send Jesus. Like Isaiah prophesied, God was going to send Jesus through a young unmarried woman. Who did He use? God used Mary, she was engaged to Joseph and they were going to be married soon. An angel from God appeared to her and told her she was going to get pregnant by the Holy Spirit and give birth to a Son.

Mary had other plans with Joseph, she was surprised but she was willing to obey God. An angel also appeared to Joseph too. Joseph was a man from the family of David. God had promised David that He will send someone from His family to rule forever. God used Mary and Joseph to bring His plan to pass. They both trusted God even though people may have laughed at them and wondered why Mary was pregnant, they trusted God's plan and God kept to His promise!

Reflection Question: How did God fulfil is promise to David?

READ A VERSE



Listen! You will become pregnant. You will give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus.

Luke 1:31, ICB

SAY A PRAYER



Dear God, thank you for keeping to your promise of sending Jesus. Mary and Joseph were ordinary people but, you chose them to fulfill your beautiful plan. Help me to trust in you and to know Jesus better this season in Jesus' name, Amen.





DAY 4

Jesus is Born

It was almost time for Jesus to be born. Just like you are eager to celebrate, eat and open your gifts because it is almost Christmas day, Mary and Joseph were looking forward to their first born, Jesus.

But first, they needed to travel to Bethlehem for the census. Mary was probably wondering as they travelled what it will mean to be Jesus' mother! Joseph must have had some thoughts on his mind too. But they kept going. When they got to Bethlehem, there was no more room in the houses for them to stay.

Mary and Joseph had to stay in a place where animals eat their food! It didn't look like anything fancy or beautiful was about to happen, except for the special gift God had prepared for us, the birth of His Son. Jesus is born, Immanuel is born. God has finally come to live with you and me.

Reflection Question: How would you have reacted if you were there the night Jesus was born?

READ A VERSE



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.

Luke 2:7, ICB

SAY A PRAYER



How amazing that night must have been, the night Jesus was born. You gave us the best gift ever and, nothing else can compare to it. Fill my heart with your joy and peace today in Jesus name, Amen.





DAY 5

Jesus came for you

What is the best gift you got this Christmas morning? No matter what it was, God has given us the greatest gift- the gift of Jesus! When Jesus came to live on earth, He fulfilled the plan God had all along.

God showed us His love by sending Jesus, He showed us His mercy and forgiveness by sending Him to the cross to die for us, He showed His power by raising Him from the dead.

You can give or receive all the gifts in the world but don't miss out on the most important gift ever, the gift of Jesus. Jesus wants you to celebrate with your families and friends, but with Him at the center of the celebration. As you celebrate this Christmas, take a moment to thank God for all He has done for you, thank Him for sending Jesus to save you from sin and death.

Reflection Question: What is the greatest gift God has given to you?

READ A VERSE



For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son. God gave his Son so that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but have eternal life.

John 3:16, ICB

SAY A PRAYER



Jesus, I celebrate your birth today. Thank you for coming to the world for me. I have the promise of living with God forever because of you. I ask that you will help me to remember everyday why you came and to follow you all the days of my life in Jesus name, Amen.

