

FAMILY ADVENT CELEBRATIONS

CHRIST-CENTERED

SIMPLE

FAMILY-FOCUSED



WEEK ONE: RED AND GREEN NIGHT

FOCUS ON YOUR FAMILY AND INTRODUCING THE ADVENT SEASON

CANDLE: THE PROMISE CANDLE

DISCUSSION: GODS PROMISE TO US. OUR PROMISE TO GOD. OUR PROMISE TO EACH OTHER IN FAMILY. OUR PROMISE TO OTHERS.

SCRIPTURE: ISAIAH 9:2,6-7

CELEBRATION ACTIVITY: RED AND GREEN MEAL W/ RED & GREEN FOODS, TABLEWARE, AND DECOR

IN BOX: PAPER PLATES, TABLECLOTH, NAPKINS, & TABLE DECOR



WEEK TWO: BETHLEHEM NIGHT

FOCUS ON THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

CANDLE: THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE

DISCUSSION: WHAT WAS IT LIKE TO LIVE WHEN JESUS WAS BORN? HOW WERE MARY AND JOSEPH FEELING? WHY WAS EVERYONE LOOKING FOR THE MESSIAH? DO YOU EVER FEEL LIKE THAT?

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:1-7

CELEBRATION ACTIVITY: CANDLELIT PICNIC IN FRONT OF CHRISTMAS TREE EATING FOODS WE THINK JESUS ATE

IN BOX: SMALL TABLECLOTH OR BLANKET, CANDLES, CRACKERS OR NON-PERISHABLE FOOD



WEEK THREE: GOOD NEWS NIGHT

FOCUS ON SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OUTSIDE OF FAMILY

CANDLE: THE ANGEL CANDLE

DISCUSSION: WHAT WOULD YOU THINK FIRST IF YOU EVER SAW AN ANGEL? WOULD YOU TAKE A RISK TO BELIEVE A MESSAGE DELIVERED TO YOU FROM GOD? HOW CAN YOU HELP OTHERS TAKE THAT RISK?

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2: 8-14

CELEBRATION ACTIVITY: INVITE ANYONE IN YOUR COMMUNITY OVER FOR DINNER AND TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUR ADVENT FESTIVITIES. SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS WITH THEM

IN BOX: INVITATIONS TO DECORATE AND GIVE TO GUESTS

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WEEK FOUR: TRADITIONS NIGHT

FOCUS ON FAMILY TRADITIONS

CANDLE: THE SHEPHERDS CANDLE

DISCUSSION: WHAT WERE THE TRADITIONS OF THE SHEPHERDS? WHAT DO YOU THINK GOD THE ANGEL TO TELL THE SHEPHERDS ABOUT JESUS?

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:15-18

CELEBRATION ACTIVITY: LITERALLY ANY HOLIDAY TRADITION YOU CAN REPEAT TOGETHER AS A FAMILY ANNUALLY. (EX: WE MAKE COOKIES AND HOT CHOCOLATE AND THEN DRIVE AROUND LOOKING AT CHRISTMAS LIGHTS)

IN BOX: ANY SMALL ITEMS YOU NEED TO COMPLETE YOUR TRADITIONS (IN OUR SPECIFIC BOX: HOT CHOCOLATE CUPS, HOT CHOCOLATE, MARSHMELLOWS, COOKIE CUTTERS, TWINKLE LIGHTS)



CHRISTMAS MORNING

FOCUS ON THE GIFT OF JESUS' BIRTH

CANDLE: THE CHRIST CANDLE

DISCUSSION: DESCRIBE THE CONDITIONS OF JESUS' BIRTH. WHAT DOES THE BIRTH OF JESUS MEAN TO YOU?

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:1-20

CELEBRATION ACTIVITY: LIGHT CANDLE AND SING HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JESUS BEFORE OPENING ANY PRESENTS

IN BOX: ONE WHITE BIRTHDAY CANDLE

