

# Our Savior's Beginning

Welcome to Our Savior's Beginning! This study is set up to be a quick look at Jesus' beginning here on earth. We will learn more about Mary, Joseph, Elizabeth, Zechariah, Gabriel, and more. Hopefully, we will also learn to love our Savior, Jesus, more! So grab your favorite Bible and a pack of crayons and you will be ready.

May the joy of Jesus' birth be with you this Christmas and throughout the new year!

## DECEMBER 1

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*Read Luke 1:26-30*

God sent Gabriel, the angel, to visit Mary. Gabriel said to her, “Hello! God is happy with you.” How exciting it must have been for Mary to find out that God was happy with her! Draw a picture that shows how you can make somebody else happy?

I am making \_\_\_\_\_ happy in this picture.

You can show you are happy in many ways. A smile on your face is one way. Another is to use sign language. Try saying “happy” this way. Put both of your hands in front of you with your palms facing your body. Have your hand move in a circular motion- up, forward, down, backwards toward your chest. Continue this motion with both hands moving in the same direction. That means happy in American Sign Language.

*“Dear God, thank you for Mary. Please help me to make you happy, too. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 2

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*Read Luke 1:31-33*

“You will have a baby and it will be a boy. God wants you to name him Jesus. He will be very important,” said Gabriel the angel to Mary.

Mary is going to have a **b a b y**.

She will name him **J e s u s**.

Draw a picture of Mary and baby Jesus.

*“Dear God, thank you for baby Jesus. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 3

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*Read Luke 1:36*

Elizabeth is in your family. She will also have a baby even though she is old and has never had a child.

Think of a baby you know. Draw a picture of him or her. Babies are a lot of fun! What is the baby doing in your picture?

Here is a prayer that you can say for the special baby you know.

*“Dear Jesus, please protect baby \_\_\_\_\_ (name) so he or she can grow up strong and healthy. Help baby \_\_\_\_\_ (name) to love You as he or she grows big. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 4

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*Read Luke 1:36-37*

God can do anything!

Elizabeth was never able to have a child. Now that she is old she is pregnant!

Elizabeth always wanted a child and she thought she was too old to have a baby. But with God anything is possible!

Elizabeth is going to have a baby! Circle how you think Elizabeth feels?



Draw something that makes you smile.

*“Dear God, You can do anything! Thank you for making me happy when I \_\_\_\_\_ . Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 5

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*Read Luke 1:38*

Mary said, "I am the Lord's **s e r v a n t.**"

Mary says that she will do what God wants her to do. A servant is somebody who does something for another person. Mary was God's servant.

God is happy when we do things for other people. What can you do to help someone in your family? Draw a picture of it here and then go and do it!

*"Dear God, help me to be Your servant. Amen."*

## DECEMBER 6

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*Read Luke 1:39-40, 56*

Mary got ready and hurried to visit Elizabeth. When she got there she greeted her. Mary stayed with Elizabeth for 3 months.

Now read Luke 1:41. Isn't this exciting! When Elizabeth met Mary the baby in her belly leaped and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. That means God was with Elizabeth. God chose Elizabeth and Mary to be the mother's of very important baby boys!

Draw a picture of Mary and Elizabeth together.

*"Dear God, (Thank God for something that made you smile today.) Amen."*

## DECEMBER 7

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*Read Luke 1:57, 60-63*

Elizabeth and Zechariah named their son **J o h n.**

Who told Elizabeth and Zechariah to name him John?

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Draw a picture of baby John.

*“Dear God, thank you for making baby John. Amen.”*



## DECEMBER 8

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*Read Matthew 1:18*

Mary and **J o s e p h** were getting married.

Would you like to be married someday? Why or why not?

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Draw a picture of something you would see at a wedding.

*“Dear God, thank you for (pray for a couple you know that is married). Please help them love each other like God loves them. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 9

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*Read Matthew 1:20*

In a dream, an angel from God told Joseph to marry Mary.  
Draw what you think an angel would look like?

*“Dear God, thank you for sending an angel to help Joseph know what to do. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 10

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*Read Matthew 1:21*

The angel told Joseph to name the child **J e s u s**,  
because he will save his people from their **s i n s**.

A sin is when you think, say, or do something that does not make God happy. Can you think of a time that you sinned or did something that wasn't nice? Say this prayer.

*"Dear Jesus, I am sorry for my sin. Please forgive me for \_\_\_\_\_. Help me to do the right thing that would make you happy. Amen."*

## DECEMBER 11

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*Read Matthew 1:24*

When Joseph woke up he did what the angel told him to do. Mary and Joseph got married!

Did Joseph listen to and obey God? **Yes or No**

It makes Jesus happy when we listen and obey God. We can learn how to obey God by reading the Bible.

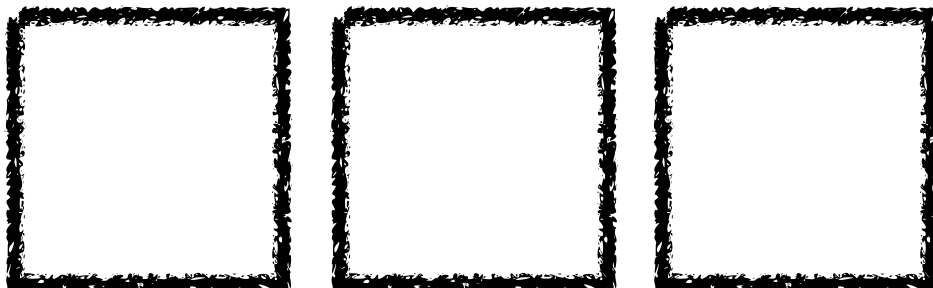
*The B I B L E, Yes, That's the Book for me.*

*I stand alone on the word of God.*

*The B I B L E!*

Draw what you like the best about the Bible.

*"Dear God, please help me to obey you each day. Amen."*



## DECEMBER 12

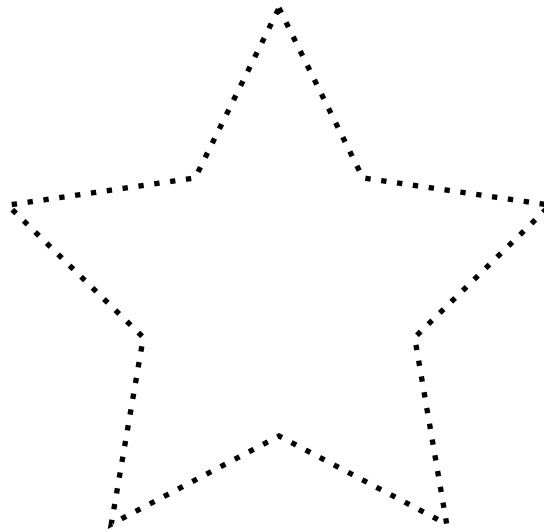
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*Read Luke 2:4-5*

Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem to register. Mary was going to have a baby soon.

The government made every man go to the town that he was born in so that they could count how many people lived in the country.

The Bible doesn't say how Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem. There were no cars, or trains, or planes in those days! I think they had to use their feet. Can you trace your foot in the space below?



*“Dear God, thank you for giving us feet to travel! Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 13

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*Read Luke 2:6-7*

While Joseph and Mary were in Bethlehem the baby was born. She wrapped the baby in cloths and placed him in a manger. A manger had hay in it for the animals to eat.

Do you think this is a good bed for a baby? **Yes or No**

Draw a picture of a good bed for baby Jesus?

*“Dear God, thank you for providing a place for Jesus to sleep. Thank you for giving me a place to sleep each night too. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 14

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*Read Luke 2:8*

There were shepherds living in a field near Joseph, Mary, and baby Jesus.

The shepherds were watching their sheep. It was night.

Who lived in the fields?

s h e p h e r d s

Draw a picture of the shepherds and their sheep.

Would you like to be a shepherd? **Yes or No**

*“Dear God, thank you for people that take care of me. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 15

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*Read Luke 2:9*

The shepherds saw a angel from God. They were terrified!

If you were outside in a field watching sheep and an angel came to speak to you how do you think you would feel? Have an adult write your answer.

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What would you like to ask or say to the angel? Have an adult write your answer.

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Draw a picture of you pretending to be a shepherd or an angel.

*“Dear God, thank you for the shepherds and angels. Amen.”*



## DECEMBER 16

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*Read Luke 2:10-12*

The angel said, “Do not be afraid! I have good news for you that will bring you joy. A baby was born today in Bethlehem. He is Jesus, the Messiah! Go and look for a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

The angels told the shepherds good news!

What would the shepherds find in Bethlehem?

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Think of a time you got good news. How did it make you feel? Have an adult write your answer.

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This is a picture of my good news!

*“Dear God, thank you for the good news. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 17

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*Read Luke 2:13*

The Bible says in Luke 2:13 that “a great company of heavenly host appeared with the angel” on that night for the shepherds to see. That means there were a lot of angels in the sky!

Jesus’ birth was so important that God sent many of his “heavenly host” to praise him!

Think of a song that praises or tells God that he is important and sing it now. Maybe you could even write your own song? What words would you sing to Jesus?

*“Dear God, you are important to me! I love You! Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 18

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*Read Luke 2:14*

“Praise God in heaven and peace on Earth to everyone who pleases God.”  
Draw a picture of the angels saying wonderful things about God.

*“Dear God, help me please You or make you happy today. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 19

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*Read Luke 2:15-16*

The angels left and went back to heaven. The shepherds decided to go and find the baby that the angels told them about. They hurried off and found Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus.

Where did the shepherds go in a hurry? \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a picture of the shepherds finding baby Jesus.

*“Dear God, thank you for Jesus. Help me worship Jesus like the shepherds did. Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 20

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*Read Luke 2:17-20*

The shepherds were so excited that Jesus was born that they went and told people about Jesus' birth! Then they glorified and praised God for Jesus!

Are you excited about Jesus' birth? **yes or no**

Draw a picture of who you could tell about Jesus.

*"Dear God, help me tell others about you! Help me tell (name of a person) about Jesus. Amen."*

## DECEMBER 21

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*Read Matthew 2:1-2*

The **M a g i** came from the east to Jerusalem. The

Magi traveled a long time to see Jesus.

The Magi may have rode horses or camels. This was a long trip! Pretend to ride a horse and a camel. Which one do you think would be more fun?

Draw a picture of the Magi traveling to Jerusalem.

*“Dear God, please protect me as I travel to (a place you are going in the car). Amen.”*

## DECEMBER 22

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*Read Matthew 2:2-11*

The Magi saw a star in the east and followed it because they wanted to worship Jesus. They asked people to help them find baby Jesus.

The Magi wanted to worship Jesus. Think of worship as doing something just to make Jesus happy! We should worship Jesus or make Him happy everyday! The Bible tells us many things that we can do to make Jesus happy. Some things that would make Jesus include: read the Bible, pray, obey parents, help people, be honest, feed people that are hungry and love each other. Have an adult write down one way you can worship Jesus today. Now do it!

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Draw a picture of how you think Jesus' face looks when you worship Him. Don't forget the smile!

*"Dear God, I want to make Jesus happy today! Help me make Him smile. Amen."*

## DECEMBER 23

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*Read Matthew 2:11*

When the Magi got to Jesus' house they bowed down and worshipped him. They gave Jesus gifts of gold, incense, and myrrh.

Pretend you are a Magi. What gifts would you bring to Jesus? Draw them in each box. You can draw a bow to decorate the top of each box.

God wants to give you a special gift! It is life in heaven with Him!

Will you believe in Jesus and accept His gift? **Yes or No**

Poem:

God loves me, (point to self) God loves you, (point to others)

God sent Jesus to love you too (hug self),

if you listen and you pray (point to ear and pray)

Heaven will be yours someday! (Raise arms) John 3:16

*"Dear Jesus, I believe in you and I want to live in heaven with you someday. Help me to be more like you. Thank you for this gift! Amen."*



## DECEMBER 24

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*Read Matthew 2:2,9*

The Magi followed a **s t a r** to find baby Jesus.

Trace and color the star.

We don't need to follow a star to find Jesus. God has made it much easier for us! We can read the Bible, we can pray, and we can go to church! If you want to find Jesus today say this prayer.

*"Dear Jesus, help me find you and know you better. Help me learn to love you more. Help me to worship you everyday. Thank you for listening to me! Amen."*

## DECEMBER 25

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Merry Christmas! Tell one person today that Christmas is about Jesus. Ask that person to pray this prayer with you.

*“Dear Jesus, thank you for coming to Earth to show me how to live a life that would please God. Please come into my heart and guide me. Help me to worship you with my life, just like the Shepherds and Magi worshipped you. Help me to be a humble servant, just like Mary. Help me to obey you even when it seems hard, just like Joseph did. Help me to learn that all things are possible for God, just like Elizabeth did. Help me to be more like you each day. Amen.”*

Draw a picture of the best thing you learned about Jesus.

What is the best part of Christmas? Draw a picture of it.