

Lesson 4: Jesus Is Our Savior

Matthew 2:1-12

Youtube Link: <https://youtu.be/JS02dYKPbKg>

Children's Bible Story Video: <https://youtu.be/1MO892n3ctY>

Worship Theme: God wants us to believe that Jesus came to save us.

Memory Verse: "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." (John 3:16)

Songs (Youtube links):

1. Noel This Year <https://youtu.be/A59-uQCZfxE>
2. Merry Christmas <https://youtu.be/4B-8B5XN-2A>
3. Feliz Navidad https://youtu.be/krpABa89_RU
4. Go Tell It on the Mountain <https://youtu.be/z9qbWLyIWvA>

Prayer: Oh Lord, thank you for today's gathering. Please stay with us and help us to learn from You. In Jesus' name, Amen!

Song: Select songs from the list above.

Icebreaker: Say "No"

Materials needed: Candies/snacks for each child

Explain to the children that you're going to ask them questions, and they can only answer with "no." They cannot say "yes."

1. Do you like to fight? (No!)
2. Do you like to steal? (No!)
3. Do you like to get angry? (No!)
4. Do you like to eat? (No!)
5. Do you like to sleep? (No!)
6. Do you like this candy as a free gift? (No!)

When the children say "No" to the candy/snacks, ask them how they can say "no" to something so good. How do they feel about saying "no" to something that's a free gift for them? Jesus is a gift to us, but many people say "no" to Jesus. Explain to them that we need to help them to say "Yes" to Jesus.

Tell them that they can say "Yes" to this free gift and ask them again: Do you like this candy/snack as a free gift? When the children say "yes," give them the candy/snack.

Introduction:

Jesus' birth is something to celebrate because he is the answer to God's promise. Hundreds and thousands of people, throughout all generations since Adam and Eve, had waited for Jesus to come to show us the way back to God. He kept his promise and sent Jesus to earth. That's a reason to celebrate! But some people were not happy with the birth of Jesus. Let's find out who was not happy!

Bible Story:

At the time Jesus was born, King Herod was the king of Israel. He became a king of Israel when he was not an Israelite. One day, the three magi from far away came to Israel and came to King Herod. They asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him" (Matt. 2:2). The bible says that King Herod was "disturbed" when he heard this. Then he told the three magi to "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him" (Matt 2:8). But King Herod did not want to worship Jesus, the baby king. He wanted to kill the Savior!



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