

Christmas is celebrating Jesus, God's greatest gift.



DAY 1

Read Isaiah 9:6

Look up today's verse and answer the questions by unscrambling the words below:

Who did Isaiah promise would be born?

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D C I L A H

He would be called...

Wonderful
D V I A R S E

Mighty
D G O

Father who lives
R F O V E R E

Prince who brings
E P A E C

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Jesus is our wonderful adviser, which means He will give us wisdom when we ask. Jesus is the mighty God who is able to protect us. As our Father who lives forever, Jesus is our provider who will always love us. And finally, Jesus will bring us peace, which means He will be with us.

God always had a plan to send us Jesus, the greatest gift ever!

Answers: A Child, Adviser, God, Forever, Peace

## DAY 2

### Read Micah 5:2

It's ALMOST Christmas! Grab a piece of paper and set a timer for one minute. Write down EVERYTHING you think about when you think about Christmas. Ready, set, WRITE! Now hold onto that page; you'll need it in just a minute.

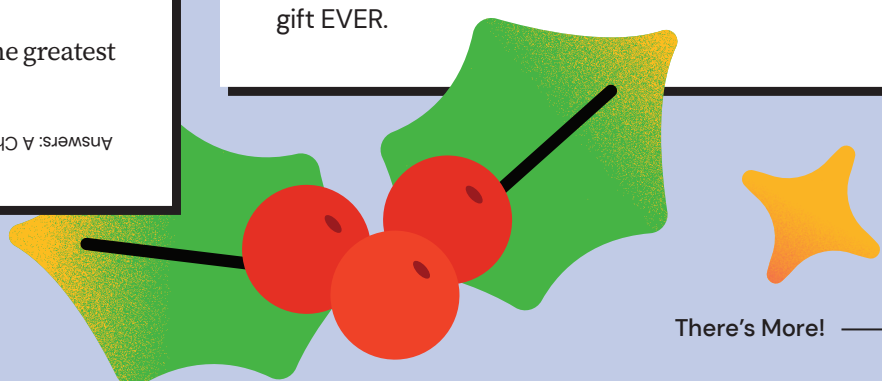
What did you write down? Snow? Presents? Twinkling lights? Decorations? Candy canes? There are so many wonderful things about Christmas. But we can't forget the most IMPORTANT thing. Christmas is about celebrating Jesus, God's greatest gift!

God made a promise to send a Savior. Long before Jesus was born, God told Micah to share this special message with the people: out of the small town of Bethlehem, a Savior would be born! God always had a plan to send us Jesus.

### Christmas Is All About Jesus

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Grab a marker and write JESUS in big block letters across your page. Spend some time thanking God for all the wonderful things you love about Christmas. Then ask God to help you focus your attention this year on Jesus, the greatest gift EVER.



Read John 1:1

“In the beginning” . . . Have you read those words somewhere else in the Bible? Flip back all the way to Genesis 1:1. What are the first three words of that verse?

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 This shows us God has no beginning. That means that God was already there when everything else began, because God made it all!

Now look back at today’s verse. Do you know who the “Word” is that John wrote about? It’s Jesus! Read the verse aloud but replace “Word” with “Jesus.”

In the beginning, before anything was created, Jesus was already there. He was WITH God and He WAS/IS God! At Christmas, we celebrate the truth that Jesus left heaven to come to earth. He was born as a baby who would grow up to be the Savior, the One God sent to rescue all people. God had a plan from the beginning to send us Jesus and that’s why celebrating Christmas is so important!

Read Psalm 33:11

From the beginning, God had a plan. Before creating the world, God knew people would turn away—that our sins would get in the way of having a relationship with God. God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sins by dying on the cross. Jesus rose again to make a way so that everyone who believes in Him can have a relationship with God forever.

God’s plans are good. They are FOREVER. God demonstrated great love for you on that first Christmas when God sent Jesus. And that’s definitely something to celebrate!

What’s Missing

All of the consonants from today’s verse are missing! Can you fill them in?

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 o.....eo.....
a.....i.....
o.....e.....e.....a.....
ea.....oo
i.....a.....o.....
 a.....i.....e.”a..... 33:11, NIV



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