

FELEGE HIWOT SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE BIRTH OF JESUS

Luke 2:1-20

Luke 2

¹In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.

²(This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³And everyone went to his own town to register.

⁴So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

⁸And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.

¹¹Today in the town of David a

Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

¹³Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.”

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

¹⁶So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

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POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	QUESTIONS
5		1.) Why did the people go back to their own towns?
5		2.) Why was Jesus born in a manger?
5		3.) What did the angel tell the shepherds?
5		4.) Why do you think the shepherds were so happy after seeing Jesus?

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	MEMORY VERSE
10		<p>“And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1 John 4:14</p>

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	HOME CONNECTION	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
5		<i>I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.</i>	
5		<i>I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.</i>	
10		<i>I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.</i>	

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION
	LEADER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE ____/____/____

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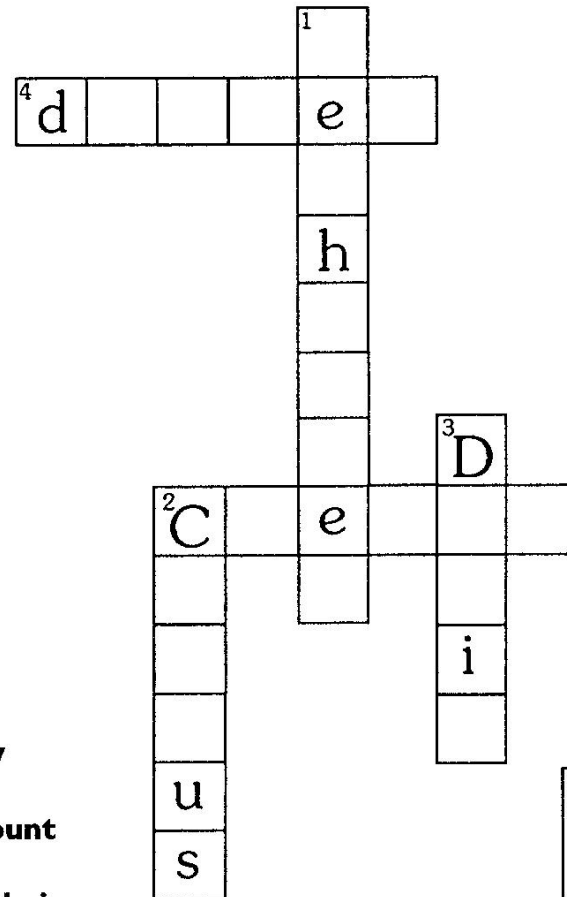
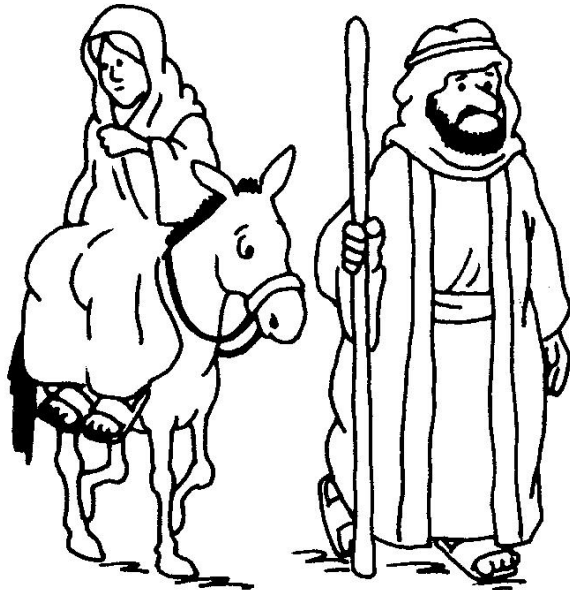
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Baby Jesus is born in a stable

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1. Joseph and Mary had to go to ____.
2. (across) ____ Augustus wanted to know how many people he ruled over.
2. (down) He ordered a ____ to be taken to count the people.
3. Joseph and Mary returned to the home of their ancestor.
4. Mary rode on a ____.

answers
Bethlehem
Caesar
census
David
donkey

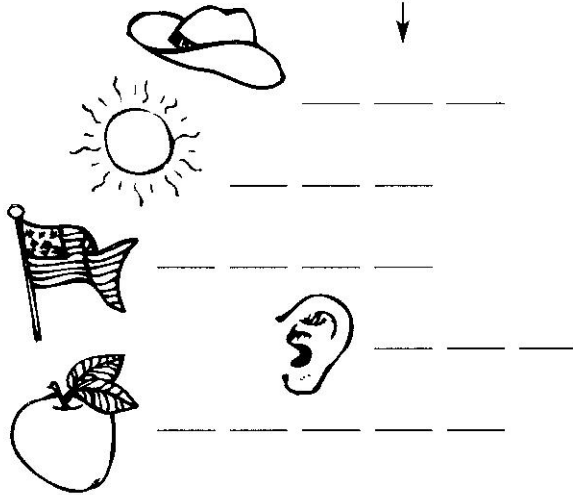
It was nearly time for Mary's baby to be born, but she and Joseph had to take a trip. They had to go to Bethlehem to be counted in a census. Their ancestor, King David, was from Bethlehem.

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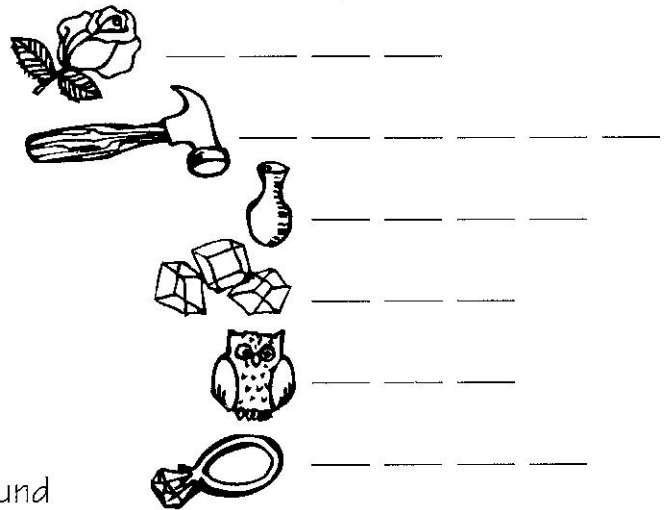
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On the hills near Bethlehem, some shepherds watched over their sheep. Then an angel traveled to see them to tell them about the birth of our Savior. They hurried to Bethlehem to see the baby king. Print the name of each picture in the blanks. Then read down at the arrows, and write these words in the blanks to complete the statements.

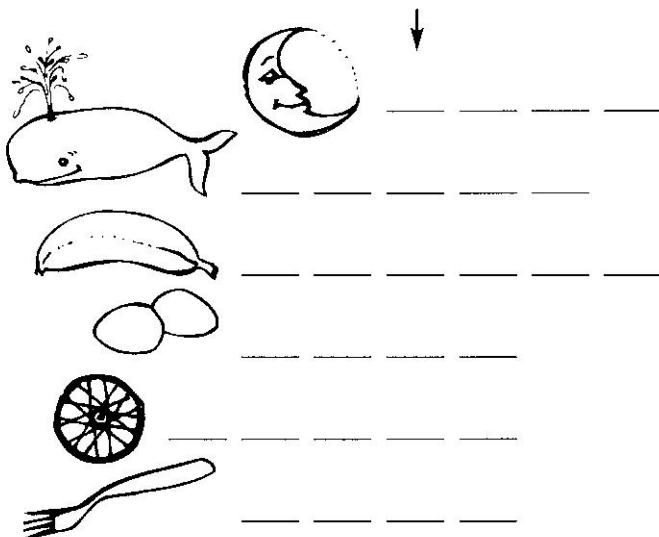
1. The _____ of the Lord
appeared to them.



2. The angel said the _____
_____ had been
born.



3. The shepherds hurried to Bethlehem and found
the baby in a _____.

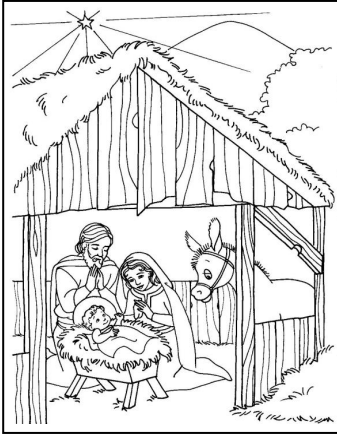


When the shepherds saw baby Jesus, they spread the message about what they had seen and heard. You have the Bible, which is God's whole message to us. Do you believe it? Do you spread God's message whenever you can?

THE BIBLE TIMES HERALD

A SPECIAL REPORT ON LUKE 2:1-20

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Reports have been coming in that Caesar Augustus wants all people to go back to their hometowns to be counted. This is called a census. Everyone in the Roman world must be counted.

Joseph was seen walking back to his hometown of Bethlehem with Mary. Joseph and Mary were pledged to be married. Mary was just about to give birth to Jesus, God's son.

Both Joseph and Mary looked for a place to spend the night. They were a long way from home. Many people were in town to be counted. The only place left to stay was in a stable.

Jesus was born and wrapped in cloths. Mary put Jesus in a manger. A manger is what animals eat food from.

Angels were also seen in the sky. They appeared to shepherds who were watching their sheep at night. The angels told the shepherds about the birth of Jesus.

The angels began singing and praising God.

When the angels had left, the shepherds went to see Jesus lying in a manger. The shepherds told others about what the angel had said to them.

For additional details about this story, please read Luke 2:1-20 in your Bible.

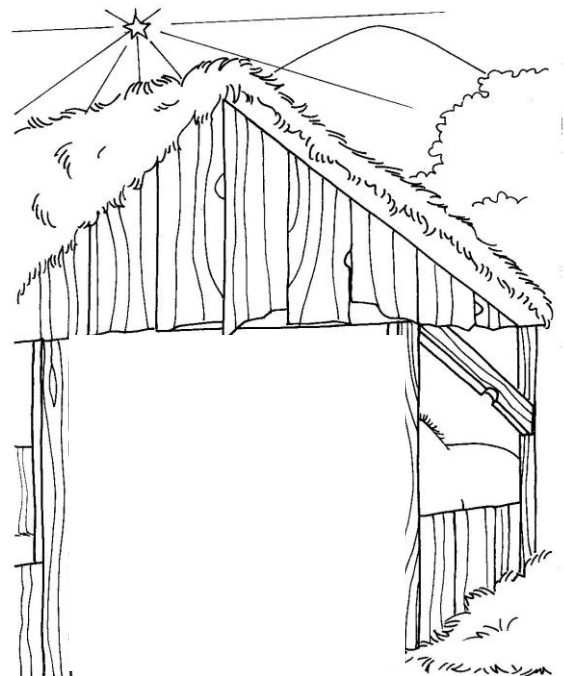
QUESTIONS

1. Why did Joseph and Mary go back to Bethlehem?
2. Why was Jesus placed in a manger?
3. What happened while the shepherds watched their sheep at night?
4. Why do you think the shepherds told everyone about Jesus?

MEMORY VERSE

“And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.” 1 John 4:14

FINISH THE PICTURE



Ideas For Home:

Today your child learned that Jesus was born in humble circumstances.

1. Have your child finish coloring this book.
2. Help your child learn the *Memory Verse*.
3. Practice the *Bible Story Rhyme*.
4. Read and discuss the bible story with your child.
5. Talk about how God loved us so much that he sent his Son Jesus to earth to eventually die for our sins.

Bible Story Mini Book

The Birth of Jesus



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Colored by: _____



Mary had baby Jesus.
Shepherds in the field
came to see baby Jesus.



Mary and Joseph
traveled to Bethlehem.
Mary was ready to have
her baby.

Memory Verse

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be the Savior of the world.”

1 John 4:14

Bible Story Rhyme

Baby Jesus was on his way,

(Pretend to rock a baby in your arms)

Soon he'd lie upon the hay.

*(Lay tilted head on hands with palms
together)*

Wrapped up in some cloth so tight,

(Pretend to wrap up a baby)

In the stable late at night.

(Point to wrist as if looking at the time)



When they got to
Bethlehem, there was
no room for them.

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PRESCHOOL GAME

Supplies: manger, baby doll, sheet

Say: We're going to act out the story of Jesus' birth.

Drape the sheet over a table to make a "stable". Assign children the parts of Mary, Joseph, and the animals. Allow children to tell the story in their own words.

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