ALLEY SG – December 6th- 7th, 2025

Today's Bible Story: Gabriel Visits Mary • *Luke 1:5-66* **Conversation Starter:** What are your plans this Christmas?

Monthly Memory Verse: "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is the

Messiah, the Lord." • Luke 2:11 NIrV

1. Angel Ornament

Bible Story Review

What You Need: Angel ornament (one per kid), String (one piece per kid), Markers, Gems

What You Do:

- Say, "In our Bible Story today, we heard about an angel who came to announce God's great rescue plan! First, God sent the angel Gabriel to Zechariah to tell him about baby John, who would prepare the way. Then God sent Gabriel to Mary, a young woman from a small town, with the biggest news of all: She would have a baby, and that baby would be Jesus, God's Son!"
- Give each child an ornament and string.
- Place the markers and decorating supplies out on the table for kids to share
- Encourage the kids to think about the Plan the God always had to send Jesus to rescue us!

2. Take a Snapshot

Application Activity

What You Need: Butcher paper (one big piece per group), Markers

What You Do:

- Before you begin lay the butcher paper out and have the kids sit around it.
- Tell kids this is the "Jesus Graffiti Wall."
- Invite the kids to write or draw words, doodles, or symbols of truths they know about Jesus.
 - For example, Jesus came for everyone, Jesus is God's Son, I can trust God because He
 is good, I can say "yes!" to God like Mary did, etc.
- As they work, ask them questions like:
 - o If you were making a headline about Jesus—a big, bold statement hitting the main point you want to make for the whole world to see—what would it say?

3. Discussion Questions

- What are your plans this Christmas?
- Since God worked on His great rescue plan for years and years to pay for sin so He could be your close friend, how does that show He feels about you?
- Why is Jesus the best news we could share?
- If you could tell one friend or family member the good news about Jesus, what would you want them to know first?

4. Verses to Take with You

Memory Verse Activity

What You Need: Bibles, Dry-erase board and a couple markers (one per bin)

What You Do:

- Before you begin, write Luke 2:11 on the dry-erase board and erase several words. The kids will identify the missing words during this activity.
- Give every kid a Bible and invite them to look up Luke 2:11.
- Repeat the verse together several times.
- Put the Bibles away.
- Gather the kids together in front of the dry-erase board.
- Let them take turns guessing the missing words from the verse.
- Continue changing the missing words and calling on various kids to guess them.
- Ask:
 - The verse says a Savior has been born "to you." How does it feel knowing Jesus came for YOU personally?
 - o If you had to share this verse with a friend in your own words, what would you say?

AT THE 5- MINUTE CALL: PRAY

- Ask, "Does anyone have any prayer requests or things they want to thank God for from this week? (Let the kids share their prayer requests and praises)
- "God, thank You that You love us so much that You worked for years and years to send Jesus to rescue us so we could be close friends with You again. Thank You that You always had a plan to send Jesus. Help us to share that good news all throughout this Christmas season and beyond—that You love everyone so much that You sent Jesus. We love You, God! We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen!"

PARENT PICK UP POINT: As adults arrive to pick up, invite the kids to show off their angel ornaments. Challenge the kids to recite Luke 2:11 to their grown-ups!