

Pre-Lesson Downloads -

#17 - Jesus is Born – *And the angels announce His Birth to the Shepherds*

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Dear Families: Here we are at the crux of Christianity, this child who was born to grow up and teach us and die for us and bare all of our sins and conquer even death. From now until Easter we will learn about His life, miracles, teachings and the great love He has for each and everyone of us. Love is mentioned over 350 times in the Bible, and that will be the focus of our lessons. I pray you have a meaningful and happy Christmas time. Join us on Christmas Eve for our online service at the site written above. We will start at 5:00 pm. God Bless! (*Book: The Very Special Baby by Carol Woodard*)

Bible Text: Luke 2:1-7; 8-20; 21-38

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people; to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom He favors: When the angels had left them and gone into heaven the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed. The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head.
The stars in the sky – looked down where He lay. The Little Lord Jesus a sleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing. The Baby awakes. But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
I love Thee Lord Jesus, look down from the sky, And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay; Close by me forever and love me I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care. And fit for us heaven, to live with Thee there.

Verses 1 and 2, author unknown. Verse 3 by John Thomas McFarland (1851-1913) Probably originated among German Lutherans in Pennsylvania in 1885.

Bible Verse:

“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom He favors!” Luke 2:14

Picture Idea:



Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Christmas Anagram

Word List:

angels, animals, frankincense, Jesus, manger,
nativity, newborn, shepherds, shining star, stable



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The Angel Telling the Shepherds the Good News



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