

The Big Give: Get wrapped up in Christmas



First, watch
this week's
video!

Christmas:
celebrating
Jesus, God's
greatest gift

Memory Verse

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord."
Luke 2:11, NIV

Bible Story

Jesus Is Born
Luke 2:1-7

Bottom Line

Jesus is the
greatest gift.

Use this guide to help your family learn about and celebrate the Christmas story.

Activity

Acting Up

What You Need:

dry erase board with dry erase markers; or paper and regular markers

What You Do:

Invite your child to play a game with you.

Say, "I'm going to write down a question on this board. Instead of answering out loud, I want you to act out your answer. Then, we'll see if I can guess your response. Ready?"

Write down the following questions, one at a time. Allow your child to act out their response. They can use gestures and noises, but no words! See how many of their responses you can guess correctly.

Questions:

- What's the most memorable Christmas gift you ever received?
- What's the most memorable Christmas gift you ever gave?
- What are you hoping to get this Christmas?

If time allows, act out YOUR responses while your child tries to guess what they are.

When you're finished playing, say, "It's exciting to get gifts. In our story today, we heard about the best, most surprising gift ever given in the whole history of the world!"

Talk About the Bible Story

Who was Jesus given as a gift for? (*Everyone—all of us!*)

Why is it important to thank God for the great gift of Jesus? (*So we can remember why we celebrate Christmas*)

Is it better to give someone something that already belongs to you, or to go buy something brand-new to give that person? (*Note: There is no right answer! This is simply to spark discussion and get your child to consider the sacrifice that may go into giving something away that belongs to them. Likewise, it takes thoughtfulness to pick out the perfect gift to purchase for someone.*)

Why is Jesus the greatest gift to us? (*Because of Jesus, we can have a relationship with God that will last forever.*)

Parent: Share how you know Jesus loves you and how He became your Savior.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Thank You, God, for giving us the greatest gift. You loved us so much that You sent Your only Son to be our Rescuer—to save us so we could be part of Your family forever. In the middle of this busy Christmas season, remind us to take time to thank You for all You have given us. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."