PARENT CORNER **TODAY: DECEMBER 4**

Bible Story: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (Jesus Is Promised) Isaiah 9:6-7

Big Idea: God always has a plan.

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

Life App: Christmas- celebrating Jesus, God's greatest gift.

Bible Story Summary:

Read and meditate on the book of Isaiah 9: 6-7

James, the brother of Jesus, wrote that every good and perfect gift comes from God, but the best gift God ever gave was Jesus. From the beginning, God has had a plan to rescue the world from the consequences of sin. Jesus is the fulfillment of God's plan. Because of Jesus, it's possible for us to have a relationship with God that will last forever. As we remember the Christmas story, we take time to celebrate the greatest gift the world has ever known

We kick off December with an Old Testament prophecy found in Isaiah 9:6-7. The story of Christmas begins with promises that God made long before Jesus was born. God's people had been waiting for hundreds of years for God to send the Savior. Many gave up hope, but God was still working in the background. The promises God made and fulfilled remind us that God's plans are best!

God always has a plan. Sometimes it's hard to stay hopeful in the middle of a tough situation. We want things to happen a certain way, and when they don't, we can become discouraged. Thankfully, when we look through the Bible, we can see that God has always been at work. When we remember that God faithfully kept promises in the past, we can find hope because God will continue to be with us through whatever we face.





As you drive, discuss how God had promised to send a Savior, and he kept that promise when Jesus came on Christmas. Play a game where every time you see a Christmas decoration, you try to be the first to name the decoration and vell, "Thank You, God for Jesus!"







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

It's easy to have hope when things are going our way. But what about when things don't go your way? No matter what happens, you can have hope because God kept His promise and sent the best gift ever: His one and only Son, Jesus!

Luke 2:11 is a great verse to remember and say to yourself when things seem scary or uncertain. And one of the best ways to learn a verse verse is to make motions to go along with it. With your parents, come up with motions to help you memorize this verse together!

KNOW that God keeps His promises.

READ "A child will be born to us. A son will be given to us. He will rule over us. And he will be called Wonderful Advisor and Mighty God. He will also be called Father Who Lives Forever and Prince Who Brings Peace." Isaiah 9:6

Today's verse comes from the prophet Isaiah, in the Old Testament. He was talking about Jesus HUNDREDS of years before Jesus was born! God spoke through Isaiah and promised to send a Savior to rescue us. And years later, He kept that promise by sending Jesus!

These names for Jesus mean...

- He helps us know what to do
- He is strong
- He is our Father
- He lives forever
- He brings peace

Which of these names for Jesus means the most to you? Write it in the blank below and tell a family member why you chose that one.

for ways to show who Jesus is with others.

DAY (3)

READ "But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever. What he wants to do will last for all time." Psalm 33:11

This week's verse talks about the Lord's plans and how it will last forever. Read the verse aloud with your parents. After you get the hang of it, sing the words of the verse to a Christmas tune! (Some fun options: Jingle Bells, Dashing Through the Snow) Sing the verse with a different family member so they can memorize it too!

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

THANK God that His plans are perfect.



READ "He is the Lord our God. He judges the whole earth. He will keep his covenant forever. He will keep his promise for all time to come." Psalm 105:7-8

Ask God to help you see the perfect plan God has for you. You can pray something like this:

"Dear God,

Thank you for sending your son, Jesus to Earth to start your perfect plan. I pray that I can see your plan for my life. Show me what to do and where to go.

Amen"

ASK God to be with you and in your plans.

parent CUE:

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Parent Cue has parenting articles, blogs, and ways you can live out you faith at home. Week by week you will be given cues so you can make the most of your time with your kids for God.



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Child's Name: