

Christian Children's Associates, Inc. Bible Lessons



Johnnie and Jane are excited! Everyone is getting ready for a very special day! Mother had been baking all kinds of goodies, cookies, cakes, and breads. The house had been decorated with bells, lights, tinsel and candles. Everyone was happy. Strains of a familiar carol could be heard everywhere. Can you guess what special day they were getting ready for? It's Christmas!

Do you know why we have Christmas? It's because it's the Lord Jesus' Birthday!

LUKE 1: 1-20

A long time ago, God promised He would send His Son to be the Savior of the world. For many, many years the people waited for His coming. They were watching for a special star that was to announce His birth.

For years they watched, but there was no sign of His coming. Some people began to question if God would keep His promise. Then, one night the baby Jesus was born. God had kept His promise!

Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem to be taxed. They had to stay in the stable because there was no room for them in the inn. That night the baby Jesus was born . Mary placed Him in the manger. Out on

the hillside the shepherds were watching their sheep. Some of them were sleeping; others were sitting around the fire talking and keeping warm. All of a

sudden, there was a strange bright light in the sky! Then angels appeared. The shepherds had never seen angels before and they were afraid. The angels spoke to the shepherds and said "Don't be afraid! We come to bring you good news." Then the angels told the shepherds that the baby Jesus had been born 🙇 . They told the shepherds that they could find the baby Jesus 🤱 in Bethlehem in a manger. After the angels were gone, the shepherds kere happy. At last God had sent His Son. They went to the manger and found the baby Jesus 🧸 just as the angels said they would. Then they knelt down and worshipped Him 🤱 .

In a far country, some other men had seen the special star in the sky. They were called wise men . They, too, had been watching for the sign from God that He had sent His Son . They followed the star and it led them to where the Christ Child was. They brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The Lord Jesus was born that first Christmas Day And that's why we

celebrate Christmas. Johnnie and Jane
are glad God loved them enough to send His Son 🕇 ,
and they love Him, too. Jesus was willing to come to
earth that first Christmas Day and be born in a
manger. He loved us so much that later, when He grew
up, He was willing to die on the cross † for all our sins so we may be forgiven for all the wrong things we have
done. Now, He wants to come and live in our hearts.
Will you let Him T live in your heart 9? When the
Lord Jesus T lives in our heart W we have a happy
heart 🦁. But when He 🕇 doesn't live there, our
hearts are sad . Which kind of a heart do you have?
Draw a picture of it here:

Name______Age_____

Address_____



