

## Family Worship Guide Week of December 7th, 2014



This Sunday was the second Sunday of Advent. Advent means “arrival” or “coming” which is fitting for the season because we are simultaneously looking back toward the arrival of the lowly baby Jesus while longing for the day in the future where King Jesus will come back in glory.

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### REVIEW

This week we focused on answering these two questions: *“How was Jesus born?”* and *“How did God announce Jesus’ birth.”* Have your kids tell you about what they learned this week in SC Kids.

Read Luke 2:8-20 or “The Light of the whole world” in the *Jesus Storybook Bible*.

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### DISCUSS

**Where did Mary and Joseph stay when they got to Bethlehem? Why?**

The stayed in a stable with animals because there was no room fro them in any inns.

**Who were the first to hear God’s big announcement?**

The shepherds.

**What was so special about baby Jesus?**

He was God’s son and he was sent to bring light to the whole world and chase away all the darkness.

*Be sure to find an Advent calendar and devotional to include in your family worship time during this season. Look on The City for some additional suggestions from Pastor Justin.*

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### SING

Singing is one of the most common forms of worship. In fact, Psalm 96 is all about singing praise to God. You can incorporate singing into your family worship by singing along with a recorded Christmas hymn or by singing a cappella.

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### PRAY

The great preacher, Charles Spurgeon, said “No man can progress in grace if he forsakes prayer.” As parents, we must lift our children up in prayer and teach them how to pray for the sake of growing in grace. Take time to pray for each child, people in your MC and friends and neighbors who need to meet Jesus.



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### Preschool

Q 2. What else did God make?

A 2. God made all things.

Col 1:16 - 17 For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

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### Elementary (add)

Q 3. Why did God make you and all things?

A 3. For his own glory.

Isa 43: 6b - 7 "Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."