

## Family Worship Guide Week of January 4, 2015



This Sunday was our second week in our New Testament Curriculum. Over the next year and a half we will make our way through the entire New Testament. This Family Worship Guide is intended to give content to discuss with your children throughout the week.

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### REVIEW

This week's lesson was called "The Birth of Jesus" and finds its origins in Matthew 1:18-2:15 and Luke 2:1-21. Or for a children's bible version you can refer to Story 80 of the Gospel Story Bible.

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### DISCUSS

**How did Joseph respond when he heard Mary was pregnant? Why?**

Confused and upset, because he knew he wasn't the father.

**Who came to visit the newborn baby Jesus?**

Shepherds and Wise Men.

**What was King Herod's nasty plan?**

To have the wise men tell him where Jesus was so Herod could kill Jesus to prevent him from becoming King.

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### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

One of the great things about the Gospel Story Curriculum is that for each lesson there are 5 days worth of additional family devotionals. They are compiled in a book called "Old Story New: Ten Minute Devotions to Draw Your Family to God." This is a great resource to incorporate to your family worship time for more in depth conversation. You can buy this book on several online retailers or at the next Sunday gathering pick up a copy from the bookstore.

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### SING

When we experience the grace of God it causes us to sing! As we teach our children about the grace of God we must teach them how to respond to it as well. So as you are discipling your children remember to teach them to sing.

Not only is singing an act of worship, but it can be a great way to help you children learn memory verses and big truths about God. We recommend [www.seedsfamilyworship.com](http://www.seedsfamilyworship.com) for great resources or stopping by the office of Morning Star Academy to pick up the CD that goes along with the catechism.

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### PRAY

Take time to pray with your kids and teach them how to pray. Pray for your family, neighbors, and loved ones that they would come to know Jesus and put their faith in him.



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Q 1. Who made you?

A 1. God

*Psalm 139:13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.*

Q 2. What else did God make?

A 2. God made all things.

*Colossians 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.*

\* underline indicates 3-5 Class memory verse  
\*\* italics indicate 6-9 Class memory verse