



An Angel Brings Good News

This story is based on Luke 1:26-38.

Mary was very happy. Soon she would marry Joseph. That would be a happy time. Weddings were so much fun! All her friends and family would come. There would be good food, too.

Tap, tap. Suddenly Mary heard a sound. She turned around. Across the room was an angel.

The angel said, "Hello, Mary! You are a special young lady. God is with you."

Mary was afraid. She

did not understand what the angel meant, but she listened closely.

The angel said, "Don't be afraid, Mary. God has a special job for you. You are going to have a baby—God's own Son. You will call Him Jesus."

After the angel left, Mary thought about the things the angel said. She prayed, "Thank You, God, for sending the angel. I want to be a good mother to Your Son. Help me get ready."



Family Time

Use these activities throughout the week to review the Bible lesson as a whole family or individually with your child.

Joyful Noise

Sing the following song to the tune of “London Bridge.” Whoever is “caught” by the “bridge” can tell Mary’s news that Jesus is coming.

Mary heard some happy news,
Happy news, happy news
Mary heard some happy news.
Oh, what was it?

On the Go

The Christmas season can be a busy time of year. As you go throughout your week, stop to talk with your preschooler about how each errand helps you get ready to celebrate Jesus’ birth.

Snuggle Me

Pull out your child’s baby album or baby pictures. Look at the pictures together and talk about how you got ready for your child’s birth (a baby shower,

doctor’s appointments, decorating a room, buying clothes and diapers, etc.) and what excited you most about your child’s arrival. If your child was adopted, talk about how you prepared for your child to become part of your family.



Bible Time

Use these Bible activities during family devotions or special Bible times you have with your preschooler.

In God’s Book

Act out the story using towels, old sheets, and sparkly garland as dress-up clothes. Talk about what you do as a family to get ready to celebrate Jesus’ birth.

Let’s Pray

Pray that as you get ready to celebrate Jesus’ birth you remember to keep the focus on Him.

LESSON FOCUS:

We can get ready for baby Jesus.

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE:

“A Savior has been born.”

Luke 2:11

