

December 2025 Lessons

Notes: Isn't it amazing that we get to celebrate the coming of Jesus! We just worked through the major highlights of the Old Testament and there is a theme of waiting patiently and obediently (well, they were supposed to) for the Savior to come. And we know that He did. He came and we live in that promise while we wait for Him to come again. Merry Christmas folks. Thank you for all you do!

Rainbow Routine	Fireweed Routine	Trees & Mountains Routine
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Music time ● Circle Time: Discuss the verse and basics of the Bible (God wrote this, parts of the Bible, how to treat it) & Lesson on the story - if kids will sit long enough ● Play time ● Table time - lesson on the story (if not done earlier or repeat it again) ● Snack Time ● Coloring page/activity/play time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Greet the kids ● Ask if they memorized the verse from last week, work on verse with kids who are interested ● Music time ● Bathroom ● Snack ● Movement game ● Lesson time at rug (story & memory verse) ● Craft/coloring page 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Greet kids / arrival activities (verse work, clipboards, free drawing) ● Music time ● Lesson on the story ● Split into groups / rotate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prayer ○ Activities/crafts ○ Lesson recap ○ Memory verse <p>*If there are not enough helpers, sometimes it is easier to do it altogether instead of splitting and rotating kids.</p>

Dec 7, 2025 - The Angel Comes to Mary and Joseph

Dec 14, 2025 - Jesus is Born

Dec 21, 2025 - The Wisemen Visit Baby Jesus

**Dec 28, 2025 - Clipboard Sunday for Kinder-5th grade /
Repeat Jesus is Born for Rainbow**

Jesus is Born

Luke 2

Story:

★ Introduction & Story:

- This is probably the most well known story of the Bible. Jesus is born. Think about Jesus - He is one part of the Trinity/God. He was used to Heaven. Then He comes to Earth...
- Caesar Augustus was the emperor of the Roman Empire. That is sort of like being the king. He decided that he wanted all the people in his empire to be counted. But he wanted everyone to go back to the city of their ancestors.

Mary and Joseph's families had both come from Bethlehem. So, they had to go to Bethlehem to register. While they were there, Jesus was born.

Remember that the city of Bethlehem was also known as the city of David. Both Mary and Joseph's families were from the ancestry of David. This is important because Bible prophecies told that the Savior would be from the ancestry of David. Also, a Bible prophecy in the book of Micah said that the Savior would be born in Bethlehem.

Probably lots of people had to travel at this time - each to the city of their ancestors. Mary and Joseph would not have been alone on this journey. People from their family would have also had to make this trip to Bethlehem.

When they got to Bethlehem, it was time for the baby to be born. There were so many people in Bethlehem! There wasn't room for them to stay with relatives in the main part of the house, so they had to stay in an area where the animals stayed. Some people think that this was a stable. Others think that this was a part of the family's house where they would bring their animals in at night. Whichever it was, the Bible

tells us that Mary wrapped the baby up and laid Him in a manger – which was a box where the animal’s food was put.

That night there were some shepherds out in the field watching their flocks of sheep. This happened every night. Sometimes it was probably pretty boring out there. But this night was not boring at all! Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared to them. He told them that the Savior of the world had been born in Bethlehem and that they could find him wrapped up in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger. When the angel left, suddenly the sky was filled with very many angels, praising and saying “Glory to God in the Highest!”

The shepherds decided to go to Bethlehem and check it out. They hurried to Bethlehem and found Mary, Joseph and the baby who was indeed lying in a manger. They told everyone about the angel coming to them and that the angel said this baby was the Savior. They left there praising God for all they had heard and seen.

Mary and Joseph named their baby Jesus, just as the angel had told them.

★ **Connection to God’s Overall Story/Plan:** When Jesus was born, the angels showed up – that seems amazing and God is worthy of that! But He was also placed in a manger and shepherds were there first to see Jesus – that seems less amazing. But God loved the world so much that He sent Jesus – with angels and shepherds. While Jesus is now a baby human, He came because He loves you and wants a relationship with you.

- God’s Character - God loves us and is not afraid to humble Himself in order to show us that He loves us. He came from Heaven to a manger.
- Spiritual Habits - Just like the angels and the shepherds worship Jesus, we should worship Jesus (remember worship is more than music and we see that in this story; we see that in how the shepherds were obedient and the angels shared the story)

Follow Up:

★ **Retell:** Have kids share what they recall from the story. Fill in any major holes they missed.

★ **Examine:**

- Ask, “What do we learn about God from this story? What does He do?”
 - God’s Character - God loves us and is not afraid to humble Himself in order to show us that He loves us. He came from Heaven to a manger.
- Ask, “What do we learn about humans from this story? What are humans doing?”
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- Comprehension Questions:
 - Do you think that the journey to Bethlehem was easy or hard? (It was about 90 miles from Nazareth to Bethlehem. We do not know if they walked the whole time or if they had donkeys, but they would not have been able to ride the whole way on donkeys. Donkeys were generally just used to carry things that the travelers needed. They aren’t for riding long distances. It probably took them more than a week. Could you walk from here to Anchorage? That is not even 90 miles.)
 - What do you think that the shepherds were thinking when the angel appeared to them? How about when the sky filled with angels singing?

★ **Application:** Ask, “What is Jesus asking us to do through this story? Why did God include this in the Bible?”

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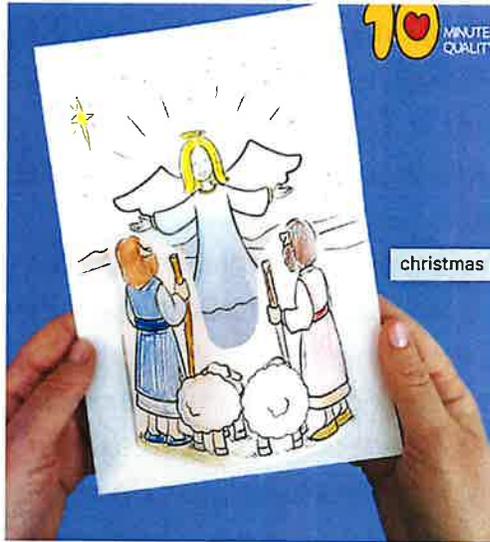
★ **Prayer**

Memory Verse Practice:

- ★ **Verse:** Luke 2:13-14 - Suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace on earth to people he favors!

Sticky Activities:

- ★ Activity / coloring pages
★ Crafts:



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- <https://members.10minutesofqualitytime.com/product/the-shepherds-and-the-angel-craft/>

★ Movement activities:

A. "Journey to the Stable Obstacle Course"

Set up a path:

- Chairs = rocks to climb over
- Tape line = road
- Blankets = hills to crawl under
- Star (tape on floor) = follow the path

Kids travel like Mary and Joseph, then "arrive at the stable."

B. "Animals in the Stable Charades"

Kids act out:

- Cow
- Donkey
- Sheep
- Birds
- Then: **quieting down** as baby Jesus is born.

Ends in a gentle calm moment.

C. "Silent Night Slow-Mo"

Kids:

- tiptoe
- rock an imaginary baby
- move slowly like nighttime in the stable
- end by kneeling and looking at the "manger"

Good calming transition activity.

Sensory Experiences:

Touch / Tactile

- **Hay** or raffia (for texture)
- **Soft baby blanket** or fleece → swaddling cloth
- **Smooth wood block** representing the manger
- A **baby doll** for gentle holding / rocking
- **Warm rice sock** (microwave a few seconds) to symbolize a warm manger

Sound / Auditory

- Soft **lullaby** or quiet stable animal sounds
- "Silent night" moment: 10 seconds of quiet → Jesus came in calmness

Visual

- A simple **manger scene** with warm lights
- Dim lights + battery tea-lights → calm stable atmosphere

Movement / Kinesthetic

- Kids gently rock a baby doll
- Walk slowly and quietly like animals in a stable
- Kids help “prepare the manger” by placing cloths (responsibility + engagement)

Smell / Scent

- **Cedarwood** (smells like a stable)
- **Cinnamon / clove** to signal warmth and coziness
- Or: vanilla (for comfort)

Send Home Page: See attached

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**Suddenly there was a multitude
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Luke 2:13-14

Fill in the Blanks

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Luke 2:13-14

Draw this verse!



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Luke 2:1-7

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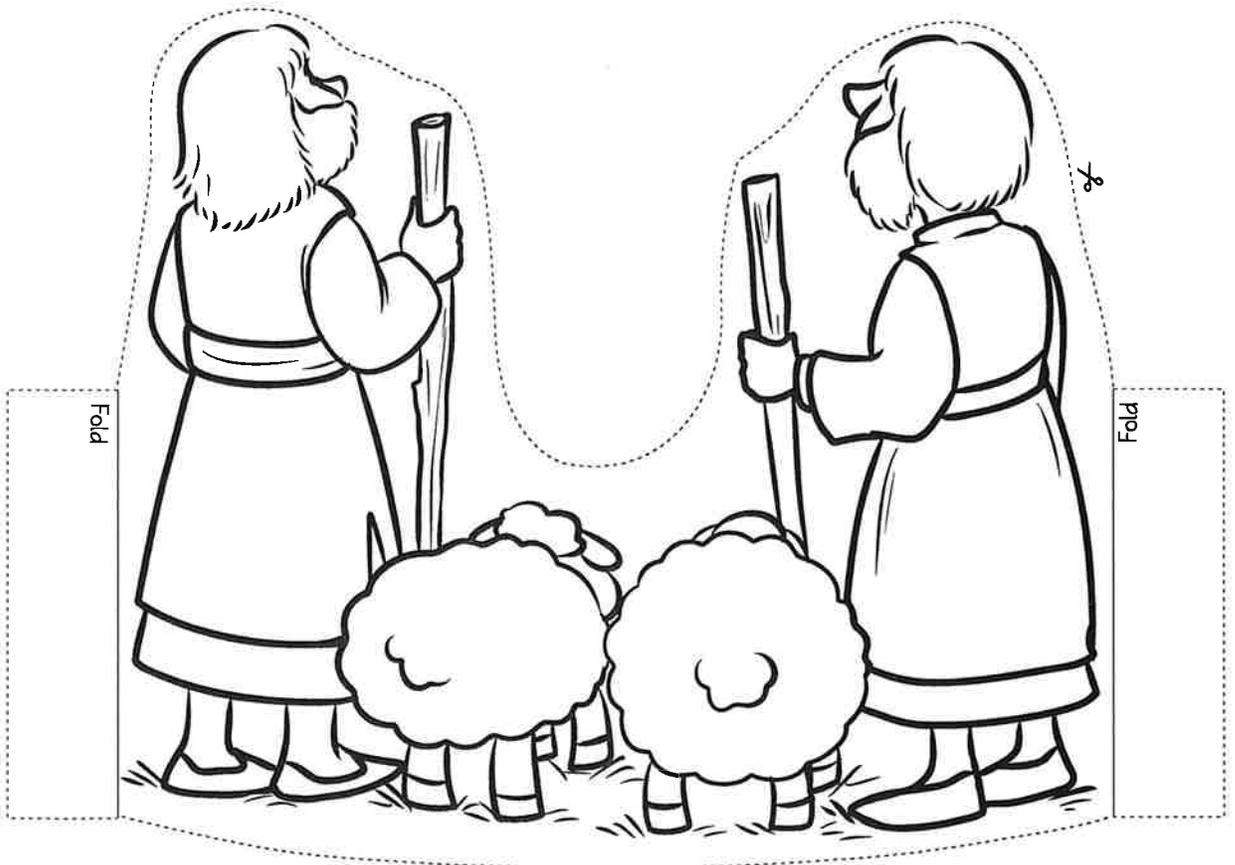
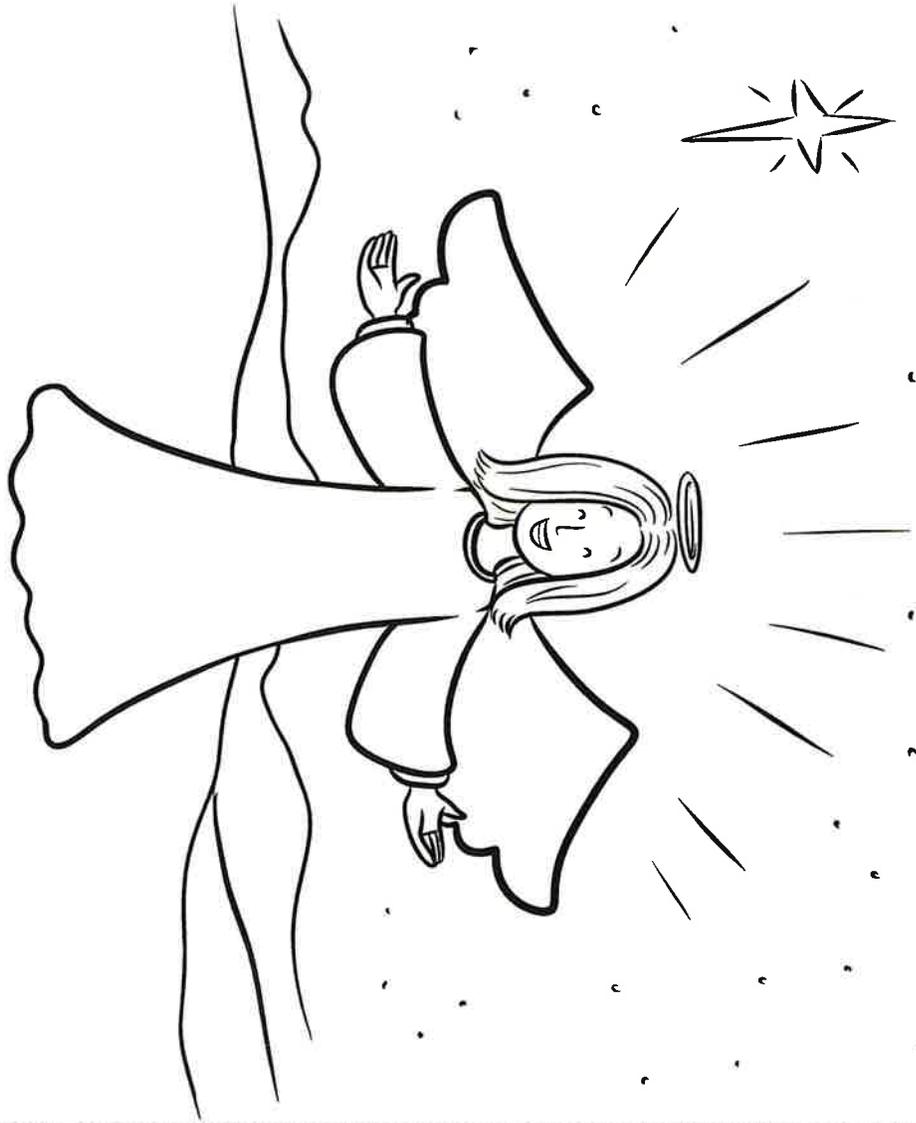
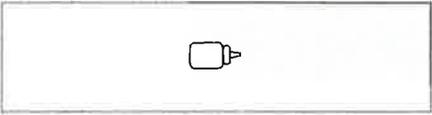
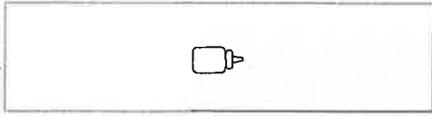
Jesus Is Born

Luke 2:1-7

Mary was going to have a baby. An angel had come to tell Mary about this baby. Her baby would be special. He would be God's Son.

When it was time to have her baby, Mary and Joseph had to take a trip. They walked and walked, probably for several days. Finally Mary and Joseph came to Bethlehem. There were so many people that there weren't any rooms left in the inn. There wasn't anywhere else for them to stay.

Finally, Mary and Joseph found a place to stay. It wasn't a nice place. It probably wasn't even a clean place. It was a place for animals to stay! Mary's little baby was born there. Mary wrapped the little baby in some clean cloths, and then she laid the baby in a manger filled with clean straw. Mary and Joseph named this baby Jesus.



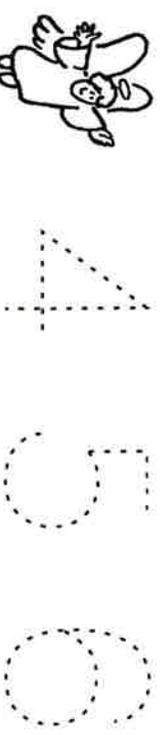
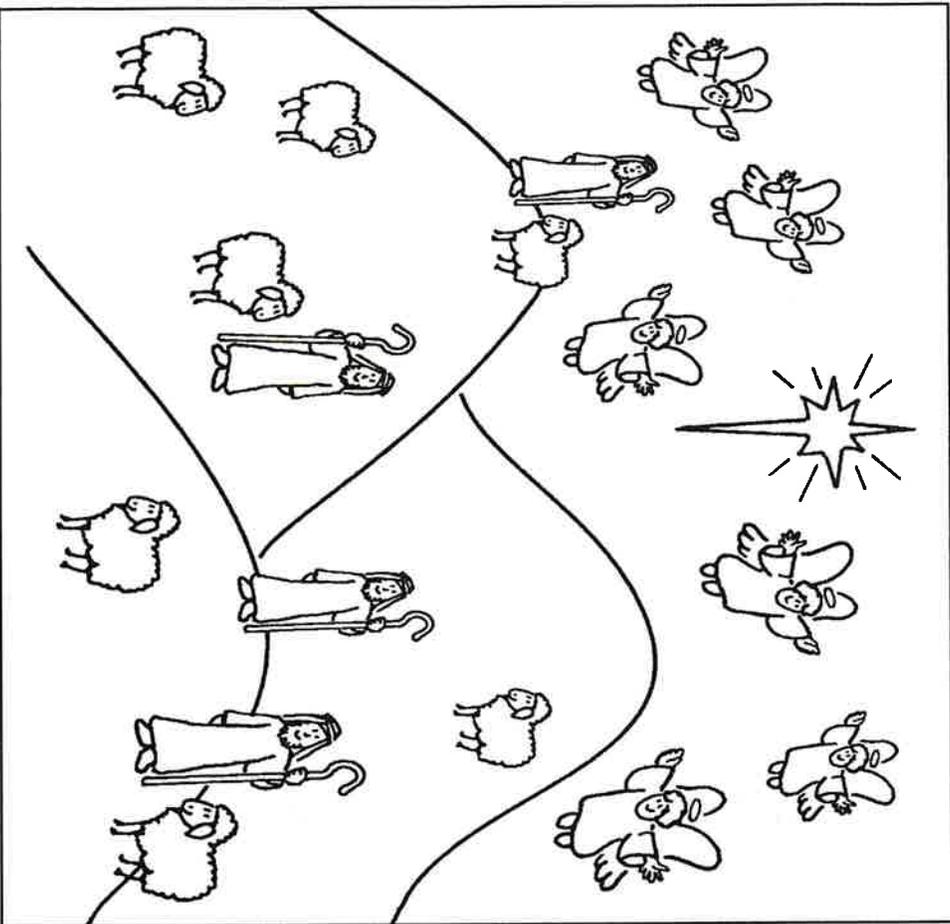
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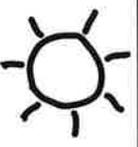


Suddenly, many angels appeared with the first angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest!"

Count the angels. Trace the correct number below.

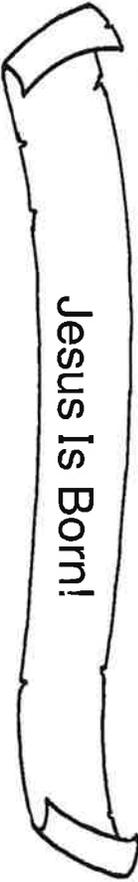


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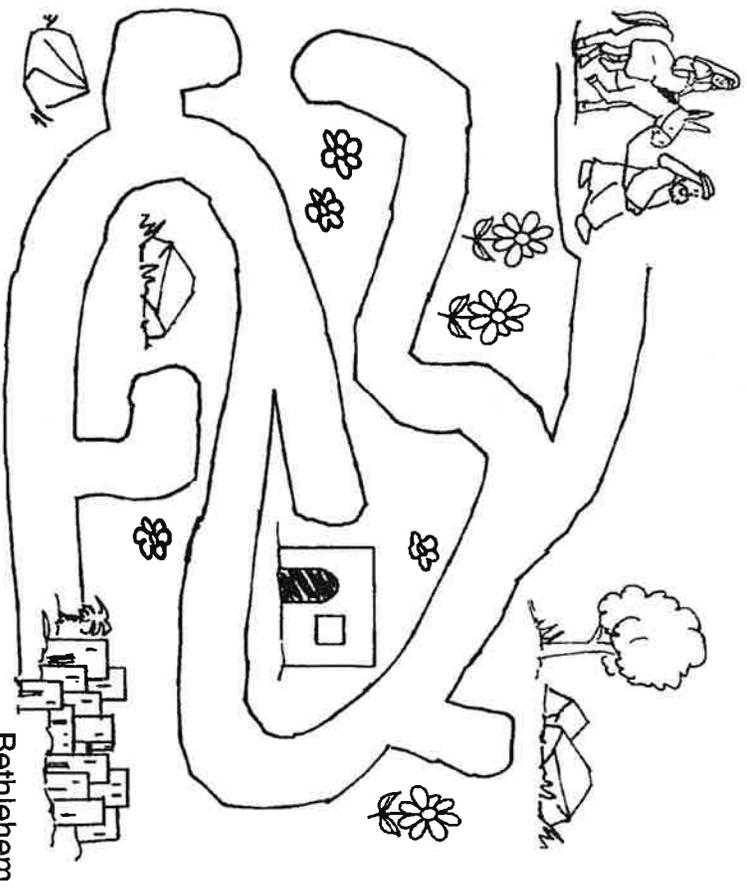
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Jesus Is Born!

Joseph and Mary traveled to the town of Bethlehem to register for the census.

Follow the path to Bethlehem.

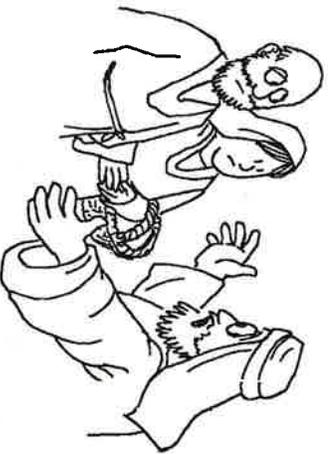


Bethlehem

While Mary and Joseph were in Bethlehem, Jesus was born. Why did Mary place Jesus in a manger?

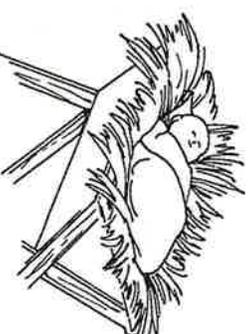
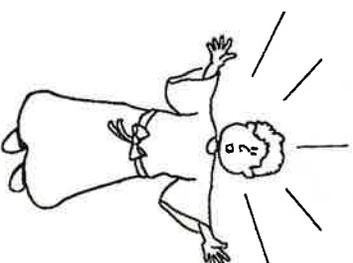
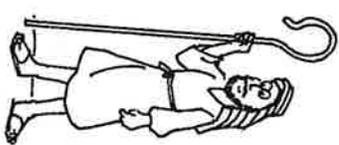
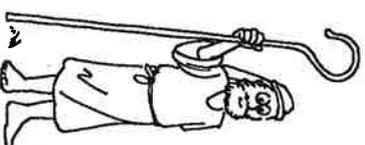
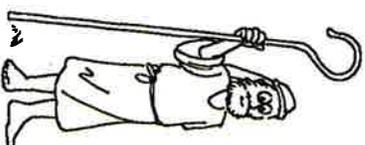
Trace the letters to complete the answer.

There was
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An angel appeared to shepherds. The angel told them the good news that a Savior had been born for them!

In each row, circle the picture that is different.

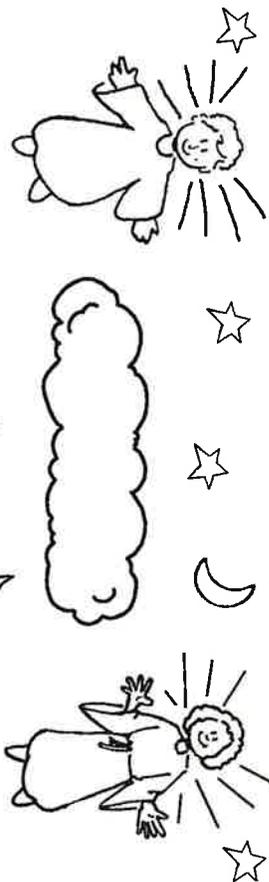




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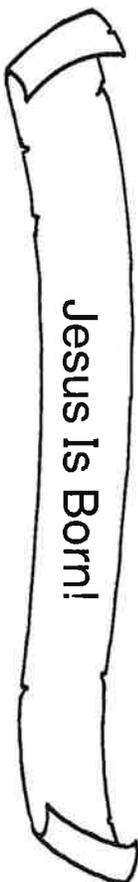
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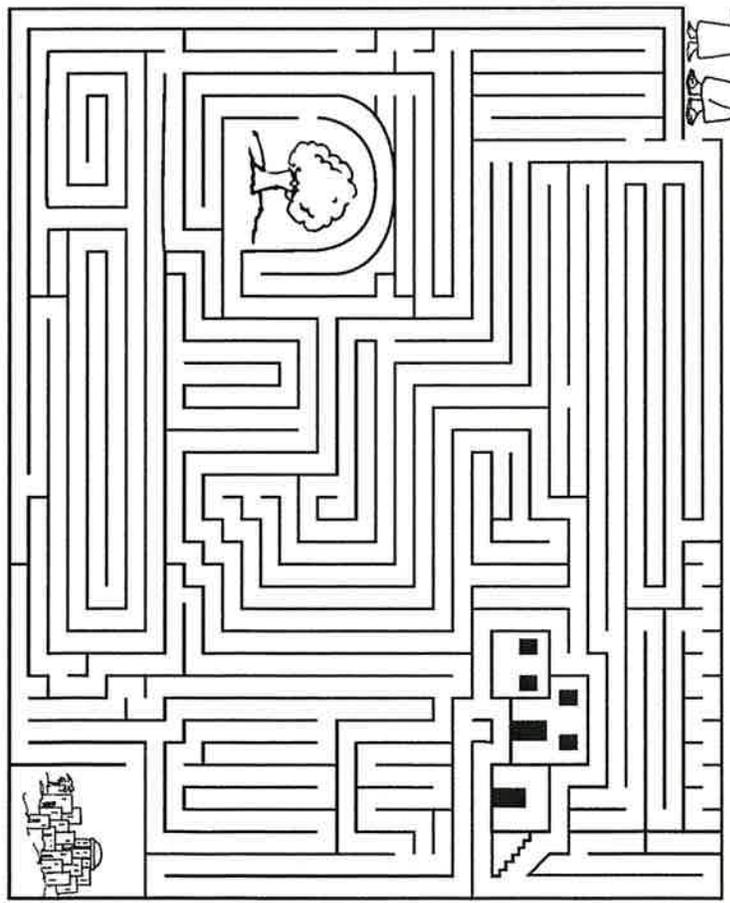
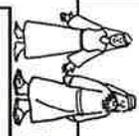


Jesus Is Born!

Caesar ordered that a census be taken.

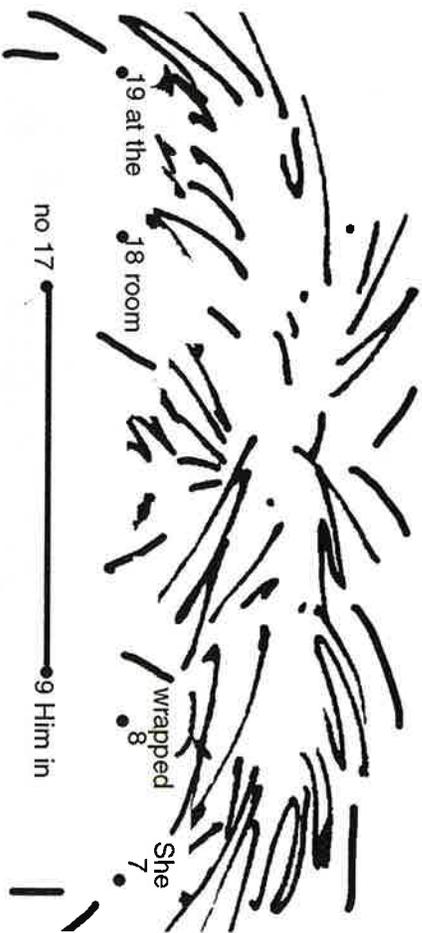
Everyone had to go to the city of their ancestors to be counted. So Joseph, along with Mary, who was expecting a child, went to the town of Bethlehem.

Help Joseph and Mary go from Nazareth to Bethlehem.



While Mary and Joseph were in Bethlehem,
something happened!

Connect the dots and read the story.



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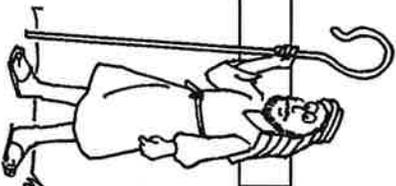
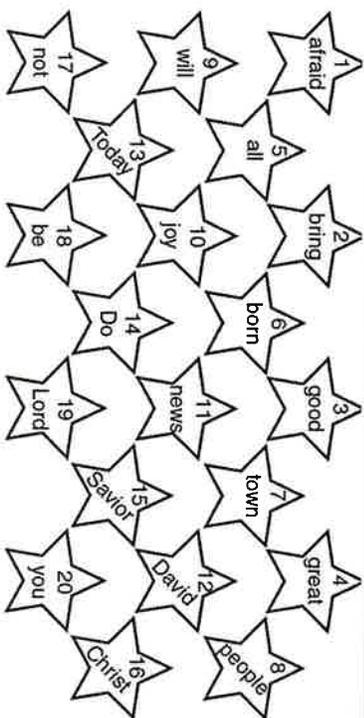
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Shepherds were living out in the fields,
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An angel appeared to them and said ...

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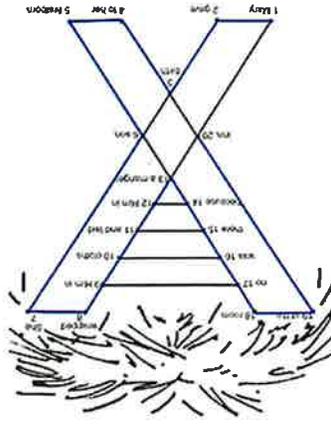
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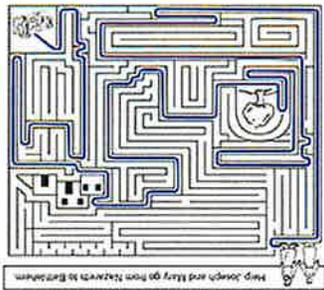
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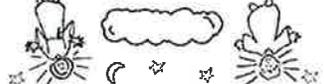
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Map Joseph and Mary go from Nazareth to Bethlehem, expecting a child, went to the town of Bethlehem. Everyone had to go to the city of their ancestors to be counted. So Joseph, along with Mary, who was Caesar ordered that a census be taken.

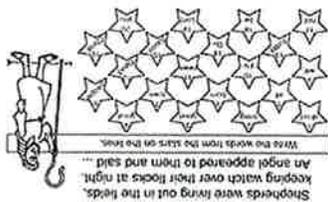
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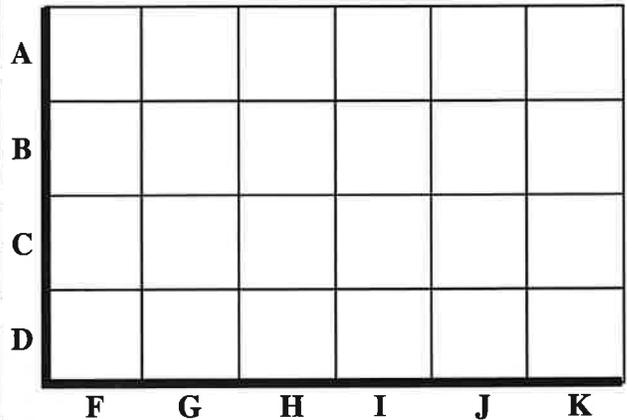
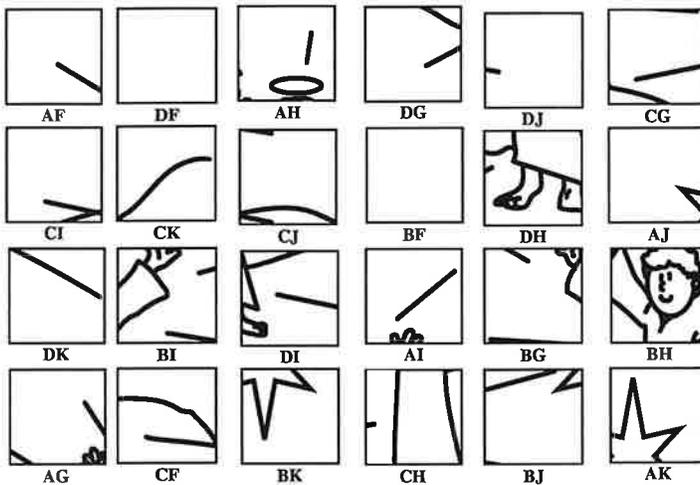


14 Do not be afraid. 17
 1 I bring you good news, of 20
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 5 all people. Today in the town 13
 12 of David a Savior has been 15
 6 born to you; He is Christ. 20
 19 the Lord."

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ary and Joseph had to travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem for the census ordered by Caesar Augustus. It was a long journey, and there were many people there. They found shelter in a stable. There Jesus was born. Mary wrapped the baby in cloths and placed him in a manger. There were shepherds watching their sheep in the hills. Suddenly something appeared to them.

Copy the drawing into the correct squares.



In the Scripture verses, there are words underlined. Find them in the puzzle. They are up and down, across or diagonal. There will be 17 letters that remain uncircled. Write them in order on the lines.

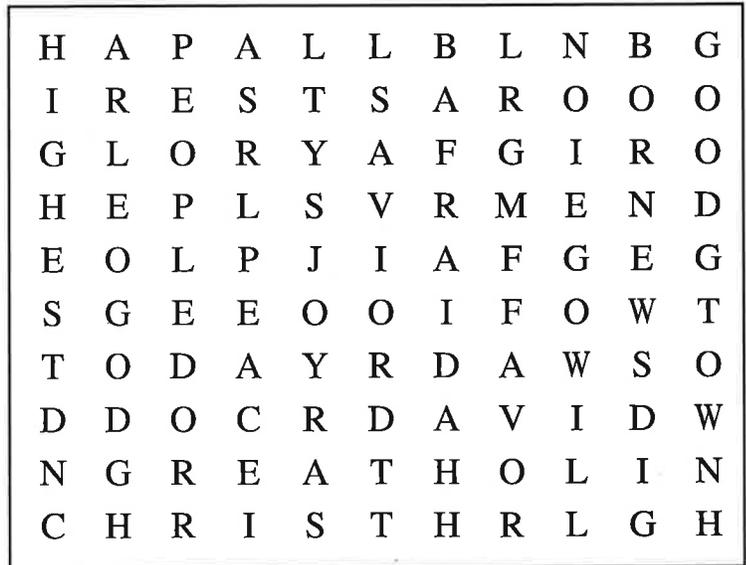
“Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.”

-Luke 2:10-11

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.”

-Luke 2:14

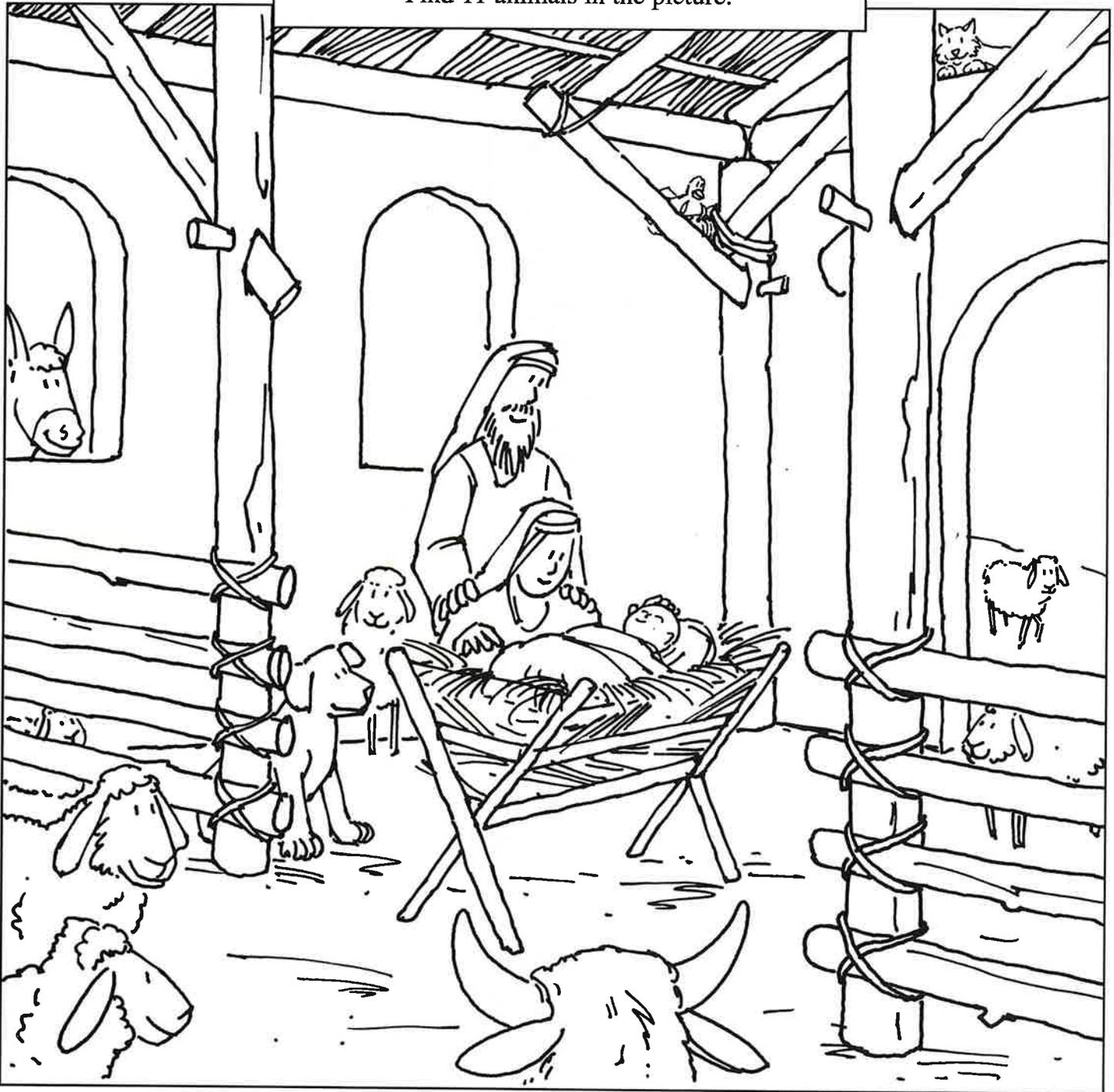
Who said these words to the shepherds?



Name _____

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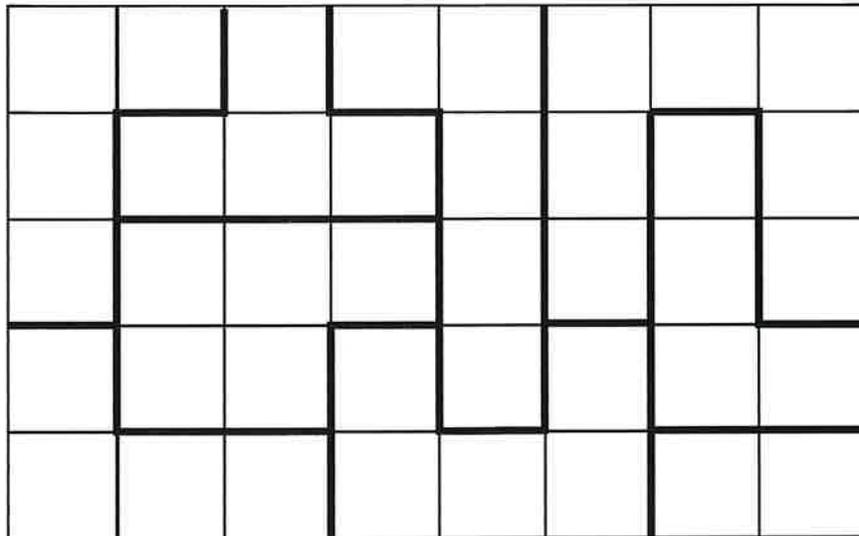
Find 11 animals in the picture.



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W hat did the angels say?

Fit the pieces in the puzzle and find out.



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Name _____

The shepherds were in the field. They watched the sheep. Suddenly the sky was filled with angels.

Circle the correct number of each. Trace the words below.



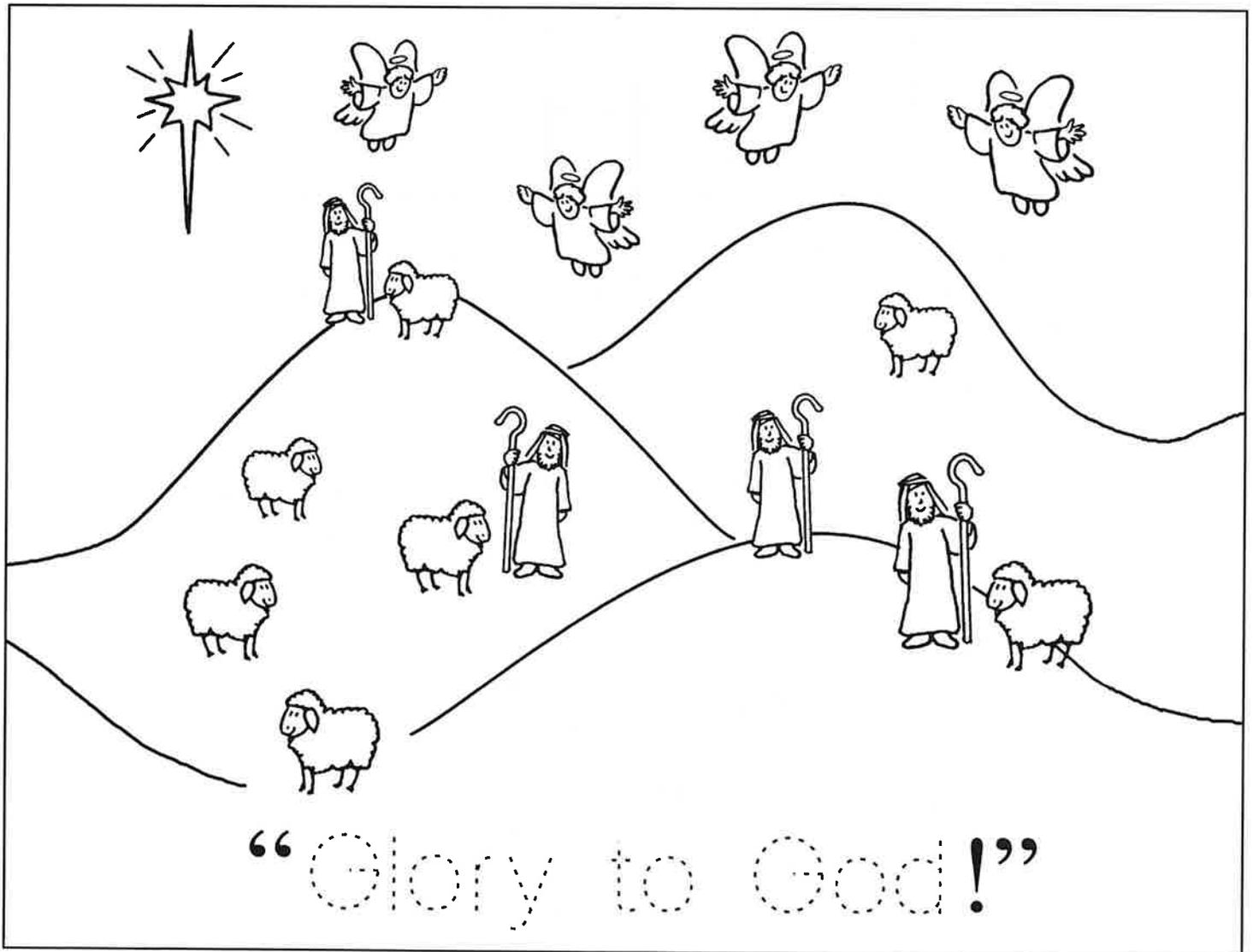
2 or 3 or 4 ?



4 or 5 or 6 ?



6 or 7 or 8 ?



Name _____

THE BIRTH OF JESUS

New Testament Lesson #5

The Roman emperor, Caesar Augustus (a-GUS-tus), decreed that all the people should return to their own cities to be counted as a part of the census he was taking of the Roman world. Mary and Joseph both were descendants of King David, so they had to travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem (the city of David) to be counted.

It was almost time for the baby to be born. Since many people had traveled to Bethlehem, there was no room for Mary and Joseph in the inn. The only shelter they were able to find was in a stable, and that is where Mary gave birth to Jesus. "She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger"

The angel of God appeared to shepherds who were watching their flocks in nearby fields. They were terrified. The angel said, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord." The angel told them how to find the baby.

Suddenly, when the angel finished speaking, the shepherds saw a choir of angels, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to [those] on whom his favor rests."

The shepherds were excited by all they'd heard and seen and rushed off to see the thing the Lord had told them about. Everything was just as the angel had said, and the shepherds told everyone they met the good news that the Christ was born in Bethlehem. Mary heard what they had said and pondered those things in her heart.

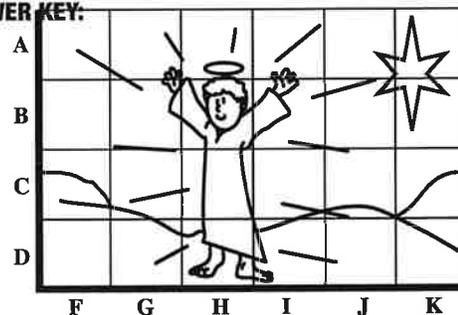
POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- The prophecy that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem is found in Micah 5:2.
- The distance from Nazareth to Bethlehem is about 100 km/60 miles.
- A manger is a box or trough to hold hay/food for animals to eat.
- The Greek word "Christ" means the same as the Hebrew word "Messiah." Both mean "the Anointed One."

The Birth of Jesus

- I. The Roman emperor required that all citizens go to the town of their ancestors for a census.
 - A. Mary and Joseph traveled from Nazareth to Bethlehem.
 - B. Mary was about to give birth.
 - C. They found a stable for shelter because there was no room at the inn.
 - D. Jesus was born in the stable and placed in a manger.
- II. Angels appeared to shepherds.
 - A. They announced the birth of Jesus and told the shepherds where to find him.
 - B. The shepherds then saw a multitude of angels.
 - C. They found the baby Jesus and told every one the good news that Christ was born.

ANSWER KEY:



Angels of God on high

