

## Oasis Grades 1st-4th MPact

Jesus' birth is absolutely the greatest single event of all time! God became a human being so He could pay for our sin! You would think that everyone would have been completely thrilled and in awe of such a thing, but not everyone responded as you would expect.

**How did King Herod feel about Jesus birth?** (*Matthew 2:3*)

**What did he try to do about Jesus?** (*Matthew 2:13, 16*)

**How did the Magi feel about the birth of Jesus?** (*Matthew 2:10-11*)

The amazing thing about this story is that the Magi were not Jewish, but Herod was. Remember, God has a plan! He made it clear that His wonderful plan includes those of us who are not Jewish (part of His chosen people). As a family, read John 3:16 together. "*For God so loved **the world**...*" aren't those words amazing? God chose to love all of us and included us in the miracle of Christmas!

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Student's name

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Parent's Signature

## Early Childhood Ministries

### *Chimp Room – 2 year old*

Luke 2:7-16          Jesus' Birth

Christmas is a happy time when we celebrate Jesus' birthday. We sing pretty songs, we decorate our houses with pretty things, and we are thankful Jesus was born.

### Faithful Fish - 3 year old and Kingdom Kids - 4 year old through Kindergarten

Luke 2:8-20          Thank You, GOD!

Today we learned about shepherds. We talked how the shepherds had to be sure the sheep had water and food. One night when a group of shepherds lay down to sleep an angel appeared. A bright light shone around the angel. The angel said, "Do not be afraid. I have good news! This news will make people all over the world happy. Today, in the town of Bethlehem, a Savior has been born to you. He is Jesus, the Savior God promised long ago. You will find him in Bethlehem. Look for a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger." The shepherds hurried to Bethlehem to see Jesus. They thanked God for sending Jesus.

**Bible Verse:** A Savior has been born. Luke 2:11



### Children's Wellness Policy

All Staff and children are asked to refrain from attending when ill. Children should not be admitted into class with any of the following symptoms and/or illness; fever or throwing up in the last 24 hours, runny nose (not clear), active chicken pox, questionable rashes, any Skin Infection-boils, ring worm, impetigo, measles, mumps, conjunctivitis (pinkeye), diarrhea, coughing/croup, head lice, including the presence of eggs or nits.

Hello from the Mzawa Church staff! Christmas time is here and with it comes a lot of "stuff" like gifts, decorations, cookies, carols, and much more! All of those things are great but what is Christmas really about? This week we are going to discuss how our true focus should be on Jesus' birth. We'll also be reading an all-time favorite Christmas book, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*.

As a family, read through Luke 2:1-20 and answer the following questions:

1. What did the Grinch try to do to the Who's from Whoville? Did he succeed? Why not?
2. What do we get really excited about during Christmas? What gift is on your list that you want the most this Christmas?
3. If we didn't have any "stuff" on Christmas...if all the gifts, decorations, food, etc. was all gone...would we still have something to celebrate
4. Read Luke 2:10-12, the angel tells us that we would definitely still have something to celebrate this Christmas, even if we never got a single gift...what did the angel say "all the people" can celebrate?

It is really easy during Christmas to get caught up in the excitement, the anticipation, and all the things that come with this time of year. While those things are great to enjoy we need to make sure we put it all in its proper perspective. Without any of those things, Christmas is still worth celebrating because it is when our Savior was born! The angel in Luke 2 tells us Jesus' birth would be joyful news to all people. This Christmas, let's remember we are celebrating the greatest birthday of all.

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