

Read LUKE 2:10-11

Day 1

The shepherds were understandably terrified when the angels filled the night sky. Thankfully the angels came with good news of great joy, but it probably took a while for the shepherds' hearts to stop beating so fast after such a dramatic event. Pretend you were one of the shepherds that night and practice making a shocked face in the mirror. Then find a bathrobe and something that looks like a shepherd's staff and go make your shocked face for your mom or dad—see if they can guess who you are.

The angel did have great news for the shepherds. But the angel said the news wasn't just for the shepherds. Who did the angel say the news was for? _____

Draw the face of the person here who DOESN'T need this good news!

Hopefully you couldn't think of anyone, because EVERYONE needs this good news! We all need a Savior, and the good news is that Savior came!

THANK God that His great news is for everyone.

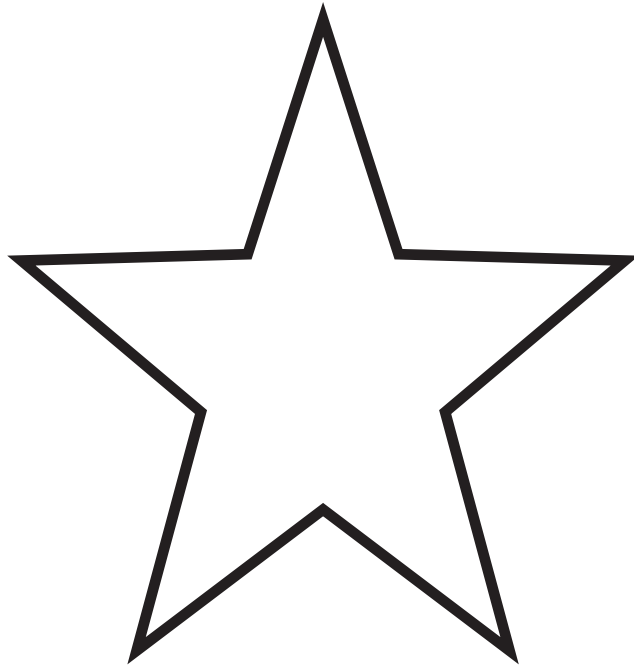
Read LUKE 1:77-78

Day 2

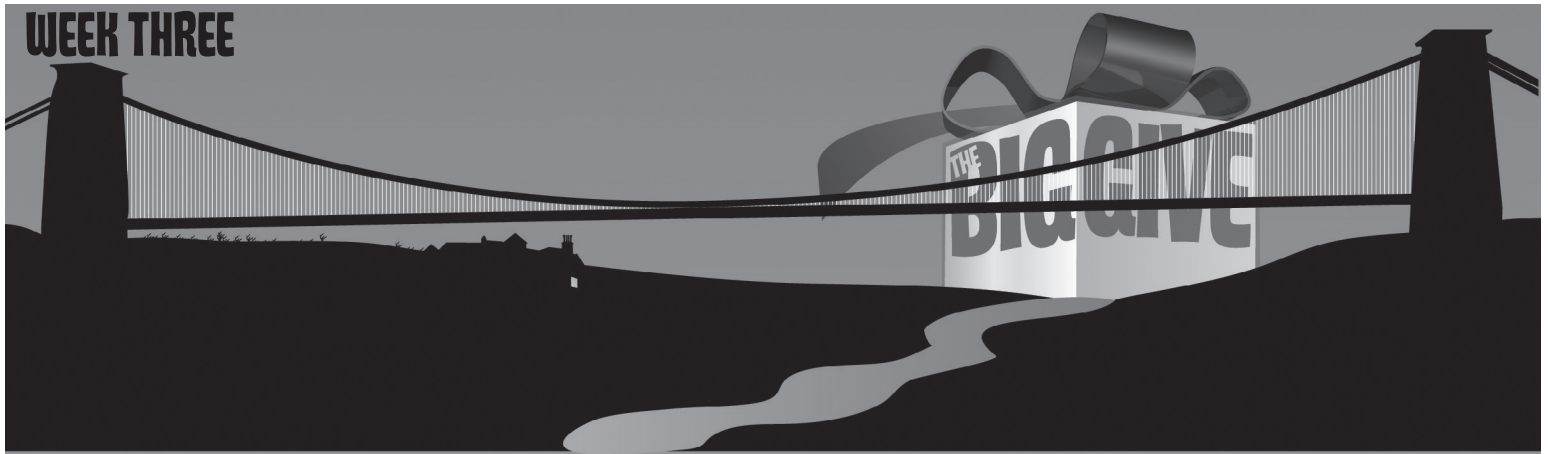
Think about the best news you ever heard, besides hearing about Jesus. Maybe it was that you were going to Disneyworld, or that you made the team or got a slot in the school play. In the middle of the star, write or draw that best news.

When you got that great news, who did you tell first? How about second? You couldn't wait to share the news, right? In the points of the star and around the edges, write down different names of people you love to share your good news with.

Underline or circle the names of the people you think already know about God's good news. Do you guys talk about God and Jesus ever? What could you do to bring Him up sometime? What has God meant in your life? Why is He worth sharing too?



ASK God to show you who you need to share His love with.

**Read JOHN 10:10B****Day 3**

Would you rather have half of a candy bar or a whole one? One new shoe or both to make a pair? Sometimes we forget that living someday with God in heaven is only HALF the good news. Jesus came to earth to save us—but He also promises to help us live our life to the fullest here and now. If we believe in Jesus, we can have hope today AND look forward to spending forever with God.

Ask your mom or dad if you can add a special treat to the grocery list—like a fun snack or a sweet dessert. Ask them if you can get it all set up to share with the rest of your family once it's bought as a surprise. Invite everyone to sit down and ask them if they'd like some of the treat or if they'd like to wait. What do you think most of them will say? They'll want some right now! Remind them that Jesus came at Christmas so that God could be with us—now and for always. And that's something worth celebrating!

LOOK for ways to encourage others with the great news that Jesus came to save them.

Read ROMANS 1:16a**Day 4**

It's your turn to put on a show. Gather up your favorite stuffed animals, old dolls, those little Lego figures, or *Star Wars* characters and line them all up. Find some props and figure out how you can quickly and creatively tell the whole Christmas story to your patiently waiting audience. You can even roll up a piece of paper or a magazine to make your very own megaphone for the important parts or to tell them you're starting.

After you practice telling the good news story to your toys, go and ask a parent or little brother if you can practice sharing the good news with them too. Sometimes all we need is a little practice sharing the good news. Remember though, it really comes down to telling others what God has done in your life. There are no right or wrong words to say; it's just about sharing the good news that Jesus came to save us and how your life has changed because of that great news.

KNOW that there is no reason to be ashamed of the great news that Jesus came to save us all. Go share it!