



DECEMBER

2017

MONTHLY OVERVIEW

Can you believe it's that time of year again? Time to decorate, bake cookies, buy gifts, sing carols. And, in our world, it's time to teach preschoolers the true story of Christmas—the story of when God gave us Jesus—the best gift ever!

Every year, the story is the same. God sends an angel to tell Mary the good news. Jesus is born. The angels tell the shepherds. And, once they see baby Jesus, they tell everyone! Then the wise men come and worship God's Son.

If we're not careful, we can easily forget that the story we've heard a million times is brand new for many of the preschoolers who will be hearing for the first time this year. The story we get to share with preschoolers this time of year is so special that we need tell it with excitement and wonder so that our children are excited about it too! We want to tell the true story of Christmas in a way that communicates to preschoolers that Jesus really is the best gift ever! He's a very special delivery!

WEEK ONE

BIBLE STORY
The Angel and Mary Luke
1:26-33, 38, 46-49

STORY FOCUS
God told us He would give us Jesus.

WEEK TWO

BIBLE STORY
Jesus Is Born
Luke 2:1-7

STORY FOCUS
Jesus is born.

WEEK THREE

BIBLE STORY
The Shepherds
Luke 2:8-20

STORY FOCUS
The angels tell about Jesus.

WEEK FOUR

BIBLE STORY
Happy Birthday Jesus!
Retell the Entire Christmas Story

STORY FOCUS
God gave us Jesus because
He loves us.

WEEK FIVE

BIBLE STORY
The Wise Men
Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11

STORY FOCUS
The wise men come to see
God's son.

MEMORY VERSE

"GOD HAS GIVEN A SON TO US."

ISAIAH 9:6, NCV

KEY QUESTION

HOW DO WE KNOW GOD LOVES US?

BOTTOM LINE

GOD GAVE US JESUS.