

DECEMBER 14 – THE MANGER

LUKE 2:6-7

Jesus, the King of Kings, was born in a humble place.

TRY THIS:

Do something humble for someone today without expecting anything in return.

DECEMBER 15 – GOOD NEWS!

LUKE 2:8-12

The angel announced the greatest news the world had ever heard: a Savior had been born!

TRY THIS:

Tell someone the good news of Christmas in your own words.

DECEMBER 16 – ANGELS

LUKE 2:13-14

The angels praised God when Jesus was born.

TRY THIS:

Play your favorite Christmas worship song and sing along together.

DECEMBER 17 – SHEPHERDS

LUKE 2:15-20

The shepherds heard the good news and hurried to see Jesus.

TRY THIS:

What would you have done if you were one of the shepherds? Act out the scene together!

DECEMBER 18 – THE STAR

MATTHEW 1:1-2

God placed a star in the sky to help lead the wise men to Jesus.

TRY THIS:

Go outside tonight and look at the stars. Thank God for sending Jesus, the Light of the World.

DECEMBER 19 – THE KING

MATTHEW 2:3-6

Jesus was born to be King – not just of one place, but of all.

TRY THIS:

What do you think makes someone a good leader? How did Jesus show us what a good King looks like?

DECEMBER 20 – FOLLOW THE STAR

MATTHEW 2:7-10

The wise men followed the star because they wanted to find Jesus.

TRY THIS:

What are some things that can help us follow Jesus today?

DECEMBER 21 – GIFTS

MATTHEW 2:11

The wise men brought gifts to Jesus because they knew He was worthy of worship.

TRY THIS:

Choose one gift you can give Jesus today: your time, kindness, worship, obedience, or generosity.

DECEMBER 22 – GOD'S LOVE

JOHN 3:16

Jesus is the greatest gift God's love has ever given us.

TRY THIS:

Tell each person in your family one reason you are thankful for them.

DECEMBER 23 – LIGHT

JOHN 1:1-5

Jesus is the Light that shines in the darkness.

TRY THIS:

Turn off all the lights and light a candle or flashlight.
Talk about how even a little light changes the darkness.

DECEMBER 24 – JESUS, THE LIGHT

JOHN 1:9-14

Jesus came into our world so that we could know God.

TRY THIS:

As you prepare for Christmas, pause and thank Jesus for coming into the world for you.

DECEMBER 25 JESUS IS BORN!

LUKE 2:10-11

The wait is over! Jesus, our Savior, has been born!

TRY THIS:

Finish the puzzle.

Look at the completed picture together and talk about your favorite part of the Christmas story.

Then pray, "Jesus, thank You for coming to earth because you love us.

Help us remember that Christmas is about You. Amen."



ADVENT

Puzzle





ADVENT PUZZLE

Christmas is a story that unfolds piece by piece. Throughout Advent, your family will journey through the story of Jesus' birth while discovering more about God's hope, peace, joy, love, and light. Each day, you'll add a new piece to your Advent puzzle as you prepare your hearts to celebrate the greatest gift of all – Jesus!

This resource includes 25 Advent puzzle pieces, one for each day from December 1-Christmas Day, along with a daily Scripture, short reflection, and simple family activity or prayer. Each day, find the puzzle piece marked with that day's date, read the Scripture and message on the back, and complete the suggested activity together. Then turn the piece over and add it to your growing puzzle. By Christmas Day, you'll have completed the picture and journeyed through the Christmas story together, one piece at a time.

What's Included:

- 25 numbered puzzle pieces – one for each day of Advent
- Daily Scripture references – guiding your family through the Christmas story
- Short reflections – simple truths that connect each day's story to Advent
- Family activities, discussion prompts, and prayers – easy ways to engage together
- A completed Christmas picture – revealed piece by piece throughout Advent

Don't worry about doing everything perfectly. Advent is about making space to slow down, remember God's promises, and celebrate Jesus together. Whether you spend five minutes or twenty minutes each day, we hope this simple activity helps your family experience the wonder of Christmas piece by piece.

Blessings!

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DECEMBER 1 – HOPE

ISAIAH 9:2

Hope reminds us that God is still working – even when we can't see the whole picture.

TRY THIS:

Turn off the lights for a moment. Talk about how it feels to be in the dark. Then turn on one light and thank God that He gives us hope.

DECEMBER 2 – A PROMISED CHILD

ISAIAH 9:6

Long before Jesus was born, God promised that a Savior would come.

TRY THIS:

What is something you're looking forward to? Share it with your family and thank God for the hope of His promises.

DECEMBER 3 – BETHLEHEM

MICAH 5:2

God had a plan for where Jesus would be born – even before Mary and Joseph knew it.

TRY THIS:

Find Bethlehem on a map or globe. How far away is it from where you live?

DECEMBER 4 – AN ANGEL

LUKE 1:5-17

God sent an angel to tell Zechariah that something incredible was coming.

TRY THIS:

Imagine receiving a message from an angel. What would you want to ask?

DECEMBER 5 – A PROMISE

LUKE 1:18-25

God kept His promise to Zechariah and Elizabeth.

TRY THIS:

Name one promise from the Bible that reminds you God can be trusted.

DECEMBER 6 – MARY

LUKE 1:26-33

God chose Mary to be part of His amazing plan.

TRY THIS:

Think of one way God could use you to help someone today.

DECEMBER 7 – LET IT BE

LUKE 1:34-38

Mary trusted God even when she didn't understand everything.

TRY THIS:

Pray together: "God, help me trust You when I don't understand."

DECEMBER 8 – JOSEPH

MATTHEW 1:18-21

Joseph chose to obey God, even when God's plan wasn't what he expected.

TRY THIS:

What's one way you can choose obedience today – even when it's difficult?

DECEMBER 9 – GOD WITH US

MATTHEW 1:22-23

Jesus would be called Immanuel, which means "God with us."

TRY THIS:

Where do you need to remember that God is with you today?

DECEMBER 10 – ELIZABETH

LUKE 1:39-45

Elizabeth celebrated what God was doing in Mary's life.

TRY THIS:

Celebrate someone today! Tell someone something you appreciate about them.

DECEMBER 11 – JOY

LUKE 1:46-49

Mary's heart overflowed with joy because of what God was doing.

TRY THIS:

Go around the room and have everyone share one thing that brings them joy.

DECEMBER 12 – GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

LUKE 1:50-55

God had been working out His plan for generations.

TRY THIS:

Talk about a time when God answered a prayer or helped your family. Thank Him together.

DECEMBER 13 – THE JOURNEY

LUKE 2:1-5

Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem because of Caesar's decree.

TRY THIS:

If your family could take a Christmas trip anywhere, where would you go? Then thank God for the people you're on life's journey with.

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