



Junior Church

LESSON PLANS: 06-12-20

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Family Fun

(All Ages)

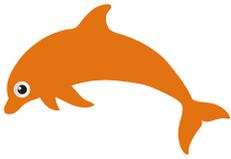
Worship workout

Activity time: 10–15 minutes

Aim: to think about Jesus' birth

You will need: candle

1. Light a candle and discuss together how it helps us remember Jesus' birth.



Dolphins

(Age 3, F1 & F2)

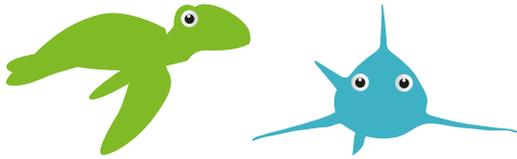
Salt-dough models

Activity time: 10–15 minutes

Aim: to know that God loves us all

You will need: recipe for salt-dough (see activity link), heart and star-shaped cutters (optional), dough knives (round-ended plastic tools)

1. Give the children the dough to play with freely. After a while, ask them how the wise men found Jesus. They followed a star. Can the children make a star shape with the dough? They could use cutters, or you could make a star template from card and provide dough knives for the children to cut around the shape with. Put the star shapes to one side.
2. Remind the children that God sent his Son, Jesus, for all of us. He sent Jesus because he loves us so much. Can the children make a heart shape to remind them how much God loves them? Again either use cutters or a card template.
3. Cook the dough shapes on a greased baking tray for 30 minutes. Allow them to cool.
4. Let the children take their stars and hearts home as reminders of the Bible story.



Turtles Sharks

(Year 1 & 2)

(Year 3 & 4)

Royal visit

Activity time: 10 minutes

Aim: to encourage the children to praise and thank King Jesus every day

You will need: copies of the Splash! sheets from pages 295 and 296 (attached)

1. Make copies of pages 295 and 296 so that they are back to back on one sheet of paper; you will need one copy per child.
2. Help the children cut along the zigzag line on their Splash! sheet (or cut these out in advance).
3. Look together at the two pictures on side 1 and practise reading the words. Then read them as a prayer.
4. Show the children how to fold along the dotted line. Then invite them to look at the inside of the card: there is one shape for each day of the week. Ask the children to find today's shape. Say this prayer together and then invite the children to colour in that shape.
5. Encourage the children to find and say the appropriate prayer at home each day this week, to praise and thank Jesus. They can then colour in the shapes.

Splash!

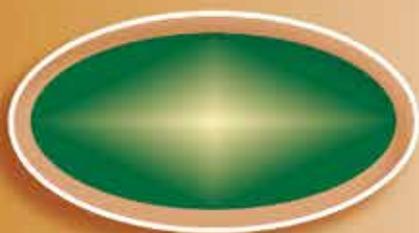
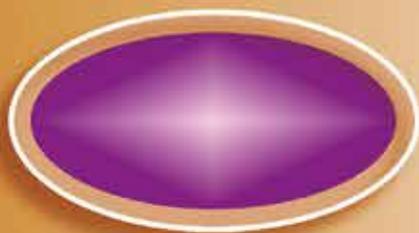
Jesus, King Jesus, born a baby small.



To make your
King Jesus card:

- 1 Cut along the green zigzag line.
- 2 Read the words to remind you that Jesus is the baby born at Bethlehem and King Jesus.
- 3 Fold along the dotted line to stand the card up.
- 4 Every day look inside the card. Praise and thank Jesus as you colour in the shapes.

Jesus, King Jesus, you are King over all.



Don't miss
the fun puzzles on
the other side.





How many times can you find CHILD and KING in this square?

C	H	I	L	D	K
K	C	H	I	L	D
I	K	N	C	I	L
N	I	L	I	H	G
G	N	I	K	C	N
D	G	N	I	K	I
D	L	I	H	C	K

Can you turn BABY into KING by changing one letter each time? We have done one line for you.

B A B Y
 - - - -
 B A N E
 - - - -
 - - - -
 - - - -
 - - - -
 K I N G



Answer:
 CHILD & KING
 BABY, GABE, HANG, BANG,
 BANG, SING, KING.

Thank you, Jesus, for being my King.

Sunday

King Jesus, you are the best!

Saturday

Thank you, Jesus, for coming to earth.

Friday

King Jesus, thank you that you came as a baby.

Thursday

Jesus, you are the greatest King!

Wednesday

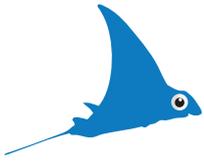
Thank you, King Jesus, for being born at Bethlehem.

Tuesday

Praise to you, King Jesus.

Monday

Colour in one jewel every day as you praise and thank King Jesus.



Creative prayer

Activity time: 10–15 minutes

Aim: to thank God for sending Jesus

You will need: a large sheet of paper

1. Write the letters in the word 'Christmas' down one edge of a large sheet of paper.
2. Invite the children to suggest things beginning with any of the letters of 'Christmas' that are about the real meaning of Christmas.
3. Use this example, if you get stuck:
 - Christ
 - Holy
 - Rule
 - Immanuel
 - Stable/Shepherds/Star/Son of God
 - Treasure
 - Mary
 - Angels
 - Saviour
4. Encourage each of the children to choose one of the words and turn it into a prayer of thanks to God for sending Jesus that first Christmas.