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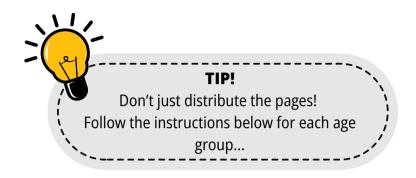




Activity Pages With a Point (10 minutes) The Gift of Jesus

Activity Description:

Older kids find hidden gifts in a picture. Younger kids color a picture of the Bible story.



Supplies

- "The Gift of Jesus" Activity Page (1 per older kid)
- "The Gift of Jesus" Coloring Page (1 per younger kid)
- pencils
- crayons

For Older Kids:

Say:

At Christmas, sometimes we might snoop to find where our parents hid our gift Give me a thumbs-up if you've ever done that.

Well, you shouldn't snoop for your parents' gifts. But in this puzzle only, I'm giving you permission to look for hidden gifts!

Distribute the activity pages and pencils. Kids will find the gifts listed at the bottom of the page hidden in the picture.

Ask:

- Which hidden gift in this puzzle do you think is the best? What makes that gift better than all the others?
- What makes Jesus an even better gift than all of those?

Say:

You might love to get a bike or a puppy for Christmas. But none of the gifts in this picture will last forever. The gift of Jesus is the only gift we can keep forever! Jesus invites us to be his friends and to enjoy his love forever. Jesus is the best gift ever!

For Younger Kids:

Say:

Jesus is the best gift ever! So let's color him all wrapped up in a snuggly blanket in the manger by coloring this cute picture of baby Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Distribute the coloring pages and crayons.

Allow time for kids to color. Write their names on the back to take home.

Answer Key for Activity Page:



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The Gift of Jesus

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Can you find these gifts hidden in this Christmas scene?

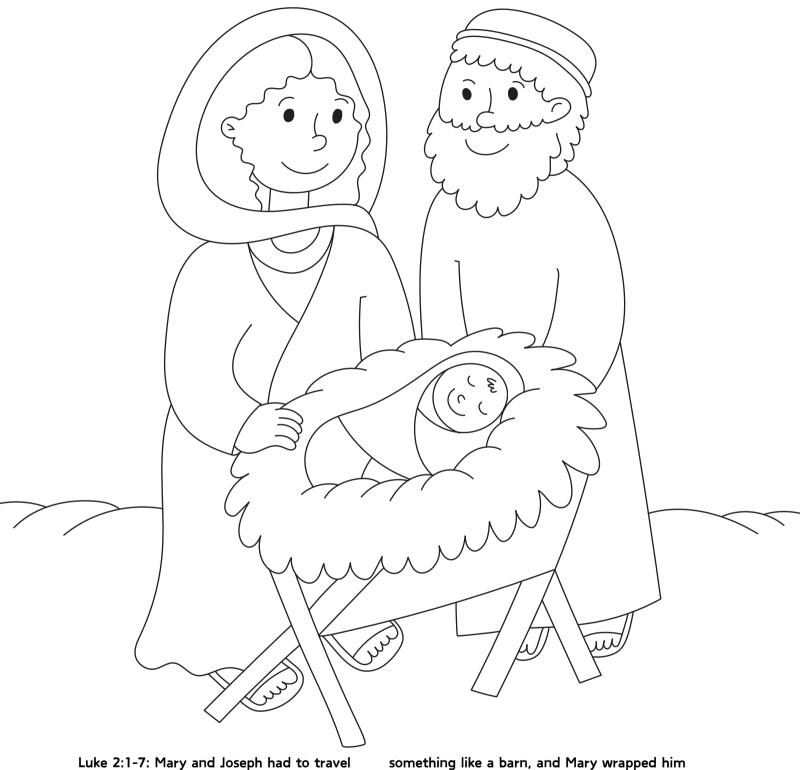


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The Gift of Jesus

Coloring Page



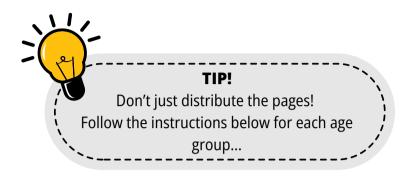
Luke 2:1-7: Mary and Joseph had to travel to Bethlehem for a census. While they were there, the time came for Mary's baby to be born. That baby was Jesus! He was born in

something like a barn, and Mary wrapped him up and put him in the manger—a bin that animals eat from. <u>Jesus is the best gift ever!</u>

Activity Pages With a Point (10 minutes) A Humble Birth

Activity Description:

Older kids find the path that leads to the stable. Younger kids color a picture of the Bible story.



Supplies

- "Jesus Is Born in a Stable" Activity Page (1 per older kid)
- "Jesus Is Born in a Stable"
 Coloring Page (1 per younger kid)
- pencils
- crayons

For Older Kids:

Say:

Jesus is the king of everything! He lived in heaven where it's perfect. But Jesus is humble, so he gave that up to be born as a baby on earth. Plus, he chose to be born in the humblest place. Let's find the way to the stable.

Distribute the activity pages and pencils. Kids will identify the path that leads to the stable.

Ask:

- Which of these places would you most like to go spend a night? Why?
- Why do you think Jesus wasn't born in a palace or at least an inn?

Say:

One reason Jesus came to earth was to show us what it looks like to be humble, so he didn't have a royal birth in a palace. Jesus is humble, so we're humble.

Answer: Path D

For Younger Kids:

Say:

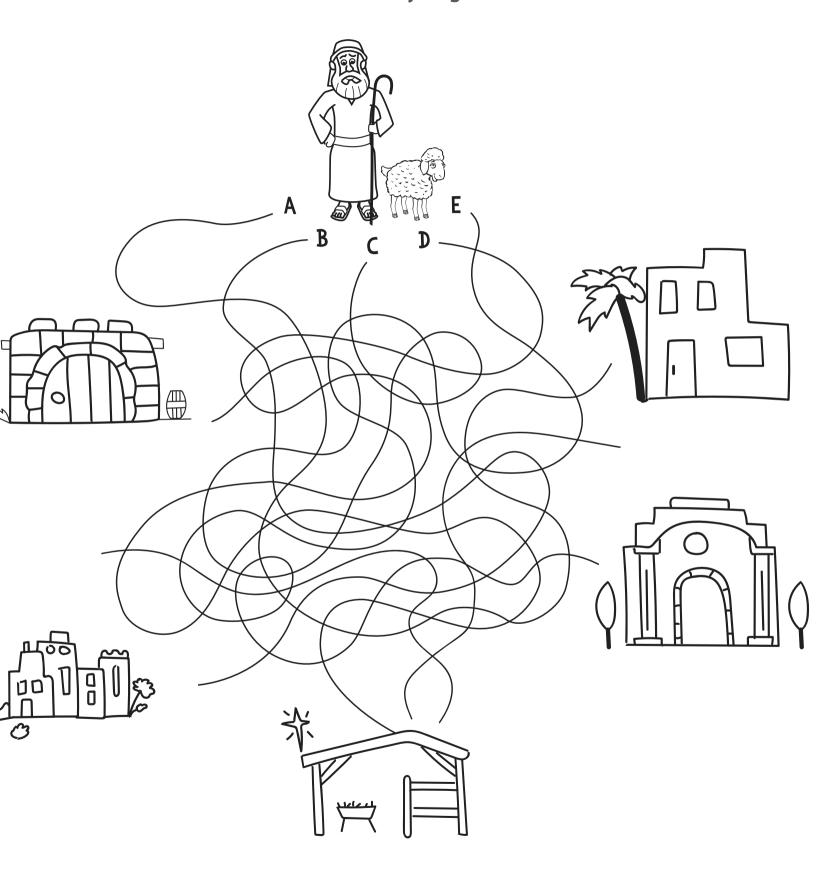
Christmas is when we celebrate that Jesus was born! And Jesus is humble. That means he put us before himself and gave up special things in heaven to live on earth. Let's thank Jesus as we color a picture of him as a baby.

Distribute the coloring pages and crayons.

Allow time for kids to color. Write their names on the back to take home.

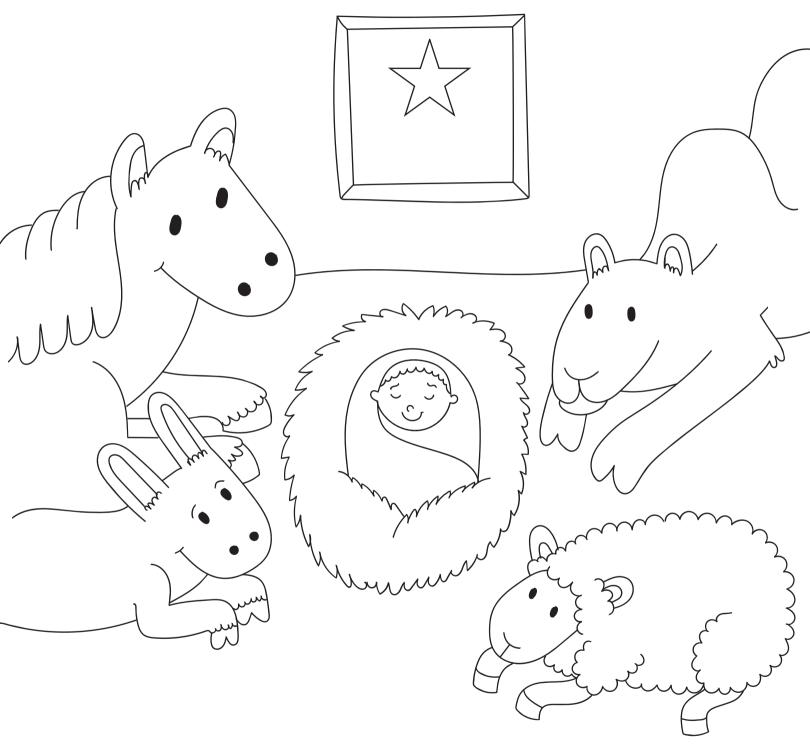
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Luke 2:1-7: Mary and Joseph had to travel to the city of Bethlehem. But Mary was about to have a baby! They couldn't find an inn to stay at, so they stayed in a stable, like a barn. While they were there, Mary had her baby—Jesus, God's Son! Jesus could have been born in some important place like a palace, but <u>Jesus is humble</u> and came in a very humble way. ANNOUNCING!

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