



The Mercy of God (Hebrews 4:14-16) – Incarnation
December 22, 2024

Christmas revealed the mercy of God

Jesus is our great High Priest

Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. *Hebrews 4:14 NKJV*

And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. *1 John 2:1 NKJV*

And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world *1 John 2:2 NKJV*

Jesus sympathizes with our weaknesses

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. *Hebrews 4:15 NKJV*

For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted. *Hebrews 2:18 NKJV*

Jesus gives us His grace and mercy

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:16 NKJV*

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, *Ephesians 2:4* even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), *Ephesians 2:5 NJKV*

and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, *Ephesians 2:6 NKJV*

that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. *Ephesians 2:7 NKJV*

This week's [OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan](#):

December 23– Haggai 1 – Zech 1 & Rev 12-13

December 24– Zech 2-4 & Rev 14-15

December 25– Zech 5-7 & Rev 16-17

December 26– Zech 8-9 & Rev 18

December 27– Zech 10-13 & Rev 19-20

December 28– Zech 14 – Mal 2 & Rev 21

December 29 - Reflection & Prayer

December 22

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JESUS CAME AS A BABY

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS



In this series, we learn about the Christmas story, and Jesus coming as a baby!

Memory Verse: “Jesus was born.” Luke 2:6 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: I’m So Happy That Jesus Was Born

Parent Connect: Pull out your family nativity or a kid’s nativity and look at the different animals included.

GKJR

JESUS IS BORN

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS



This series will go through the birth of Jesus, starting with an angel bringing good news to Mary and Joseph. Then, wrapping up with Jesus being dedicated at the temple. What a wonderful series to celebrate our Savior, Jesus Christ!

Memory Verse: “And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for He will save his people from their sins.” Matthew 1:21

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Dedicated at Temple | Luke 2:1-39

Parent Connect: In today’s lesson we learned how Jesus was dedicated at the temple when he was just a little baby. The people who met him there were so happy and thanked God because Jesus was the best gift! As you talk to your kid about Christmas this week, talk about the presents they may get, then talk about even though presents are fun, Jesus is the best present because He came to save the world! What a great gift!

ELEMENTARY

GOD OF WOW!

GOD’S GLORY



In this series we will be learning what the word “glory” means and learning about all the amazing ways that God showed His glory in the Christmas story!

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Heart of the Lesson: God’s WOW was shown through the wise men | Matthew 2:1-15a

Parent Connect: Today we talked about how God showed his WOW (or glory) in the story of the wisemen. Ask your kid to retell this story to you and explain how God’s Glory/Wow was shown in that story.



Incarnation is a big word – it is the idea that Jesus came to earth a human but was also God with us! This series, we're looking at what Jesus' incarnation and time on earth means for us as His followers. We can learn more about the gift of Christmas by looking at what Jesus revealed about God through His time on earth!

Memory Verse: The Word became a human being. He made his home with us. We have seen his glory. It is the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father. And the Word was full of grace and truth. (John 1:15)

Heart of the Lesson: Christmas revealed the MERCY of God (Hebrews 4:14-16, 1 John 2:1-2, Hebrews 7:25, Hebrews 2:18, & Ephesians 2:4-7)

Parent Connect:

- What did we learn about today that Christmas reveals?
- What does Jesus understand about us?
- What does Christmas show us about God?
- Do you know someone in need of God's mercy this Christmas?