

STORIES OF CHRISTMAS





Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Christmas Light cutouts, Small Manger.

1. Introductions

Circle Up: Have the Kid-Os wave at each other and then sit down in a circle. Encourage each Kid-O to say their name.

2. Discussion Questions

- What did God promise Isaiah? (That he would send Jesus to save everyone.)
- When is a time you've had to "trust" someone? (If necessary, explain that "trust" means believing someone.)

3. Hands-On Option

Do This: Give kids instructions and have them follow you. Be sure to do the actions with them. You could say things like: Raise your hand, jump up and down, take three steps forward, run in place, spin around, sit down, walk backward three steps, and clap your hands. Then, have them do the actions with their eyes closed!

The Point: Was it easy to keep your eyes closed and still follow me? That's what trusting someone can feel like, we're letting them be in control, letting them lead us. We can always trust God, no matter what.

4. Big Idea, Memory Verse, and Prayer

Do This: Practice the Big Idea and Memory Verse with the kids.

Memory Verse: Luke 2:10-11- "I bring you good news. It will bring great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord."

Big Idea: I can believe God's promises.

Do This: Encourage them to talk about what they learned with their grown-ups.

Do This: Pray! "Dear God, we love you. Thank you for loving us. Help us to always believe your promises. Amen."