

Jesus God Who Came to Earth

Theme and Games

A possible theme for this series is victory. Jesus defeated sin and death when he died and rose again, winning victory over sin and death. Jesus came to earth for that purpose. The children will hear the story of his birth and how God kept his promise. Jesus is the King. Wisemen came from far away to worship him. His coming was foretold hundreds of years before he came to this earth. The kids will enjoy hearing the story of Jesus when he was twelve years old. God gives his children the power to obey.

Lesson 1

1. Pictures from Lesson (*Active Game 1*)
2. Dry erase board or Poster Paper (*Active Game 2*)
3. Memory Verse word strips (*MV Repetition Game*)
4. Tell me the story pictures or words (*Review Game*)

Lesson 2

1. Bean Bags or Paper Balls (*Active Game*)
2. Kings Costume (*Word Up teaching*)
3. Picture of modern-day Bethlehem (*Memory Verse Introduction*)
4. Star Cards Actions and Points (*MV Review & Review Game*)

Lesson 3

1. Pads of paper or dry erase board (*Active Game*)
2. Pencils or markers (*Active Game*)
3. Large empty box (*Memory Verse Introduction*)
4. Blindfold (*Memory Verse Repetition*)
5. Memory Verse in Order (*MV Repetition Game*)

Lesson 4

1. 10-15 items or pictures of items. (*Active Game*)
2. Items used in professions or pictures of them (*MV Introduction*)
3. 10 pencils & 1 pen or 10 Rocks & 1 marble (*Review Game*)

Lesson 5

1. 2-3 baskets and 15-20 balls or paper balls (*Active Game*)
2. Globe, Watch & Bible (*Bible Lesson Introduction option*)
3. "Bible Book Race" (*Review Game*)
4. Two paper bags, Dirty Rag, Clean Rag (*Gospel Spotlight "Dirty Rag Clean Rag"*)

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Lesson 1

The Savior Is Born (*Matthew 1:19-25; Luke 1:26-38; Luke 2:1-20*)

Active Game: “Can you tell the Story of Jesus Birth?”

Divide class in two teams. Line them up in two lines. For a larger class divide into three lines. Teams will be assigned a color for their team. Their picture will be attached to that color and hidden around the room. One team member at a time finds one picture from the lesson. Words from the word up will also be hidden. After all, 10 cards are found the team will put the picture in the correct order. Teacher and older students can help.

Alternative Game: “Guess the missing letters” On a dry erase board or poster paper have the class guess the missing letters to the Word Up. You can divide the class into two teams or do it as one team.

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(GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES!)

Word Up! “God Keeps His Promises!”

Has anyone ever made a promise to you but didn’t keep it? (**Response**) (*Examples of promises not kept*) How do you feel when promises are kept? (**Response**) God makes a promise and He keeps it. How would you feel if I promised to give you ice cream after club but then after club, I said I was only joking? (**Response**) “**God Keep His Promise!**”

Memory Verse: Luke 2:11 “*For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.*”

Introduction- If you had an important message for someone, what would you use to tell them? (**Response**) (Show phone, letter, megaphone) God used Angels to tell the greatest news.

Presentation- (*Read verse*) How do you know this verse is true? (**Response**) Prophecies fulfilled.

Explanation – Who said these words? Why did he say them? Who is David? What is the city of David called? Who is the Savior?

Application- (*Saved*) Tell others Jesus is the Savior. (*Unsaved*) Jesus was born so you can be saved from your sin. Will you believe in Him as your Savior today?

Repetition- “*Mystery Message Motion*” or “*Word strips unscramble*”

Review Game: “Tell Me the Story”

(*Prepare words strips with names of characters, places and things from the nativity story. Place in container. With each right answer award 1,000 points. Team can pick from container. If they can name the character or how the picture fits into the story the team doubles their points.*)

Alternative Game 2: Using the picture from the active game. After each right answer a team member picks a picture from the lesson that is lying face down on a table. The team places the picture in the correct order. The team to put all their pictures in the correct order first wins the game.

Lesson 1 Notes

Luke 1:26-38

1. Angel Gabriel came to Mary in Nazareth
2. Angel told Mary she would give birth the Savior Jesus
3. Mary’s question
4. Angel response – The Spirit would come her – A miracle
5. Mary’s relative Elizabeth was pregnant in her old age
6. Mary believed God – A willing servant

Matthew 1:19-25

1. Joseph a just man unwilling to divorce Mary
2. Angel appeared to Joseph
3. The message was to take Mary as your wife; the child is from the Holy Spirit. The child will be the Savior
4. A fulfillment of prophecy (Isaiah 7:14)
5. Joseph obeyed – He took Mary – Called the baby Jesus

Luke 2:1-20

1. A law from Caesar Augustus, all the world to register in their hometown.
2. Joseph & Mary had to travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem
3. In Bethlehem Mary gave birth
4. Shepherds in the area told by Angels of the Saviors birth
5. The Angels tell where to find the Savior
6. The Shepherds go into Bethlehem to see Jesus in the manger
7. The Shepherds shared this news with all. People wondered but Mary treasured it.

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Lesson 2

Wise Men Worship the Savior King (*Matthew 2:1-23; Luke 2:39-40*)

Active Game: “Beanbag Toss”

Pass beanbag around circle while music is playing. When the music stops the student holding the beanbag must answer question about themselves or places they would like to travel to someday. **(Say)**
“Some men in our story traveled along distance to meet the Savior.”

Word Up: “Jesus is King”

Imagine you were invited to go and visit a king or queen. What would you do when you came in the room? **(Response)**
(Act out King coming into the room.) Show honor to the King. How much more honor should you show Jesus the King of Kings?
Tell Him how wonderful He is. “**Jesus is King**”

Memory Verse: Luke 2:11 “For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”

Introduction- Show picture of modern-day Bethlehem. This is an old city. What city is it? **(Response)** What happened here 2,000 years ago?

Presentation- Where is this verse found? What is another name for the city of David? Who wrote this book?

Explanation- The Angel announced this message to Shepherds. But they also wanted us to know it too. What does God want us to know?

Application- (*Unsaved*) Will you believe? (*Saved*) You can worship the Savior! He is the King we honor and worship!

Repetition- “Following the Star” (*Have large star with actions written on each point. A student drops a penny on star. Class must say verse doing that action.*)

Review Game: “Follow the Star”

Divide the children into teams. Ask questions, alternating between teams. When a child answers correctly, he may choose an action and lead his team in doing it. Then turn the star card over to see how many points his team has won.

Lesson 2 Notes

Matthew 2:1-23

1. Jesus born in Bethlehem
2. Wise men from east travel to Jerusalem to King Herod
3. They follow the star
4. Herod was troubled – seeks out answers
5. Counselors tell Herod the Messiah is in Bethlehem (Mat.2:6)
(Prophecy 1)
6. Herod summoned wise men – bring back news (Mat. 2:8)
7. The star led the wise men to Jesus – they worshipped him
8. They offered gifts to Jesus
9. Wise men departed home – not through Jerusalem
10. Angel in dream tell Joseph to leave Bethlehem – go to Egypt
(Prophecy 2)
11. Herod order to kill all male children in Bethlehem under 2
(Prophecy 3)
12. Prophecy fulfilled of children dying (Mat. 2:18)
13. Herod died, Jesus’ return to Nazareth **(Prophecy 4)**

Luke 2:39-40

14. When all the requirement of the law fulfilled, they returned to Nazareth.
15. Jesus grew in strength, filled with wisdom – favor of God upon him.

Philippians 2:9-11

“Therefore, God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

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Lesson 3

Jesus Obeys His Heavenly Father (Luke 2:40-52)

Active Game: "Direction or No Directions"

(Divide the class up into 3 or 4 teams. Give each team a piece of paper or small dry erase board. An older student or teacher will be on each team to help the students. Each team member is given 5-10 seconds to draw. Each team member adds to the pictures. Give them instruction to draw an animal. After 1-2 minutes teams describe what they have drawn.) Ask the class a question. "When you are given instructions and you follow them do you think things work out better?"

Word Up: "Obey God!"

(Give directions to students act out the following instructions: turn to the right, turn to the left, jump up, turn around, sit down, etc.) You did good following instructions. What instruction are more serious in life?

(Response) "Look both ways when you cross the street." "Don't touch a hot stove." Rules make life work. God has given instructions in His word. He knows the best way to live. We can trust Him. **Word Up!**

Memory Verse: Philippians 2:13 "for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure."

Introduction- Have you ever had a hard time doing something? What was hard for you to do? (Ask 2-3 kids to respond.)

Alternative: (Before club place an empty box upfront on the floor.) Tell the class: "I need to get this box up on the table. But it is heavy. I need someone to help me." (Choose student to help) Sometimes we do need help because somethings are hard. Listen to our verse. What is God doing to help us? Why does He help us?

Presentation- Read verse. Where is it found? Who wrote it?

Explanation- What does it say? What does it mean?

Application- (Saved) God is at work in you. He is helping you love Him. (Unsaved) Have you trusted in Jesus to save you? You can today?

Repetition- "**Stump the Teacher**" (Blindfold teacher or have them turn around. Child chooses a word, cover it with sticky note. Lead class in saying verse. Clap on the missing word. Teacher guesses the missed word.) (Choose students to guess missing words.)

Alternative: "**Memory Verse in Order**" Teams compete to put the verse phrases in the right order.

Review Game: "What I Like – Teacher Charades"

When a child correctly answers a question, he may whisper his favorite activity to one of the teachers. The teacher must act it out until the other children guess what it is. As time allows you can have some of the kids help act out the activity.

Lesson 3 Notes

Luke 2:40-52

1. Jesus grew in strength, filled with wisdom. Favor of God
2. Jesus & parents went to Feast of Passover
3. Returning home Jesus is missing – Parent search
4. Parents returned to Jerusalem – Three days later find him
5. Parents question Jesus
6. Jesus responds (Luke 2:48)
7. Parents did not understand his words
8. All travel back to Nazareth
9. Jesus obedient to his parents – mother treasured in heart
10. Jesus increased in wisdom, stature and favor with God and man

Reflection / Application:

Jesus was hungry to learn. He grew in wisdom and favor with God. Jesus did not come preloaded with all wisdom and knowledge. God in the flesh became like us. He learned and grew as we do. There is no sin in the lack of knowledge and wisdom but their sin in not seeking it out and applying it to your life. Jesus sought out what he did not know. He sought out not for the sake of knowledge but for relationship to be prepared to live and serve. He sought the relationship above just acquiring information. Love was the core motivation behind everything he did.

Jesus obeyed God the Father. He gave us an example, and the Holy Spirit give us the power to obey.

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Jesus Is the Promised Savior

Lesson 4

(Luke 3:1-22)

Active Game: “One of a Kind”

Gather items relating to the lesson or use pictures of the items. Twelve of the items will be similar to one another but one of the items is different. Divide the class into two teams. A teacher will be on each team as their scribe. One team member at a time will have a chance to look at the items for 10 seconds and then whisper their answer to their teacher. Teachers will write down all the answer. The team who gets the right answers after 1-2 minutes is the winner. (The Ball is the item that is different.)

1. Baby doll 2. Scroll. 3. Stick 4. Bottle of water. 5. Bird 6. Cloth. 7. Cross 8. Bible 9. Lamb 10. Angel 11. Sand 12. A Ball

Alternative: Two teams get 30 seconds or 1 minute to look at a table of 10-15 items. With a teacher as their scribe, they must list all the items they saw. The team who writes down the most items is the winner. The total time for game will be about 5 minutes.

Word Up: “Only Jesus Saves!”

I want to see if you can find something that is the only one of its kind in this room. (Allow several seconds for the children to look and observe.) We might call that thing “one of a kind.” You could say that each of us is “one of a kind” because God made each of us very different! I can think of someone else who is truly “one of a kind.” **Only Jesus Saves!**

Memory Verse: Philippians 2:13 “for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.”

Introduction- (Bring in items or show pictures used in certain professions.) Can you tell me what kind of person would use it? Would you like these jobs? There is a job for all believers. What is that job?

Presentation- Read verse. What is address? Why did God write this?

Explanation- Who is at work in believers? What does He help you do?

Application- (Saved) A promise. God will show you what He wants. He helps you obey. (Unsaved) Wants you to know him first. Trust in Jesus.

Repetition- “**Mystery Job Motions**” – Option: Have a child pick a sport. Say the verse while pretending to do that sport.

“**Memory Verse Chant**” Chant the verse and have the kids repeat.

Review Game: “One of a Kind”

(Put several pairs of objects in a box or container. (Two socks, two blocks, two rocks, two spoons, etc.) Also place a unique object unlike the others in the box or container. After each right answer one team member picks an item from container without looking. Then, while the class counts to 5 the team member tries to find the unique object in the box or container. The team that finds the unique object is the winner.

Lesson Notes 4

Matthew 3:1-6; 13-17

1. John the Baptist preaching to repent – Preparing the way for Messiah. Getting people ready for arrival of God’s salvation, Hearts being opened.
2. John clothes and food
3. Many from all over were going to John to be baptized in Jordan river and to confess their sins.
4. Jesus came to John to be Baptized – John did not think he was worthy to baptize Jesus
5. Jesus is baptized by John (to Identity, to show obedience)
6. A Holy Spirit comes down represented as dove – God the Father speaks (Matt. 3:17)

Luke 1:5-24; 39-45; 57-65

1. In days of Herod Priest named Zechariah wife Elizabeth- had not children
2. Zechariah serving as priest an angel appears to him
3. Angel announces Elizabeth will have a son John
4. John would be a special child – with a job to turn man to the Lord, prepare the way for the Lord.
5. Zechariah’s doubts – He is told he will not be able to speak
6. Elizabeth became pregnant in old age
7. Mary travels to see Elizabeth
8. Elizabeth’s baby leaped in womb – filled with Holy Spirit
9. Elizabeth humbled – praised God
10. Elizabeth gave birth – came time to name child
11. Elizabeth said his name would be John
12. Zachariah broke silence and told the child’s name.
13. All spoke of what happened

John 1:26-29

1. John announces he baptizes with water (A sign of repentance of sins)
2. John proclaims the coming of the Messiah – Taking place at Jordan river
3. John announces the Messiah has come. *“The Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world”*

Luke 3:1-22

1. During God’s perfect timing, Roman rulers were in power
2. God speaks to John (son of Zechariah) while in the wilderness
3. John traveled through Jordan – message of repentance
4. Isaiah foretold John coming and message (John paved way for Messiah (4-6)
5. John warned the crowd of sin, judgment – called to repent.
“A change of mind” Your life proves your repentance.
6. Crowd wanted to know what to do
7. Tax collectors came
8. Soldiers wanted to know what to do
9. The people’s hearts were affected by the message
10. John tells of the Messiah who will come and baptize with Holy Spirit.
(purifying or judgment)
11. The Messiah will clean the hearts of people

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Lesson 5

Jesus Is the Sinless Savior (Matthew 4:1-11)

Active Game: "Two-minute Ball & Basket winner"

Divide class into 2-3 teams. Give each team a basket of balls or paper balls. Teams get two minutes to get all their balls in a basket. The team to get their balls in the basket first is the wins.

Say to class: "Wining can be fun but usually is not very important. The lesson today will point out the most important thing to win against."

Word Up: "Jesus Wins" Would you rather be sick or health? Have friends or no friends? Win or lose? (**Response**) Sometimes we do lose. Sometimes we lose when it comes to sin. We chose to say yes to sinning instead of yes to God. Jesus never loses! He won against sin, against his enemy. **Jesus Wins!**

Memory Verse: Hebrews 2:18 "For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted."

Introduction- How many of you know multiplication tables. How many know how to make a sandwich? How many know how to read?

(**Response**) You can help others learn!

Presentation- Read verse. Where is this verse? How can this verse help?

Explanation- Who suffered? Why did he suffer? How is he able to help us when we are tempted? What does it mean to be tempted?

Application- (*Saved*) You choose daily to obey God or to sin. Jesus was tempted; he can help you say yes to God. Memorizing verse helps.

(*Unsaved*) You don't have Jesus' help when you need to choose. Jesus came to save you, to help you. Have you trusted in Jesus to save you?

Repetition- "**Stuck in Place**" say verse together. If teacher holds up hand children freeze in place and continue repeating the word again until teachers put hand down. Allow children chance to lead.

Review Game: "Bible Book Race" Write the names of the books of the bible on paper and place in a container. After each right answer the team chooses a member to come up front to pick from the container. The first one to find that book in the Bible is the winner. The team gets an extra 1,000 points. You can have younger children pick from the container and the older one help the younger one find the book.

Gospel Spotlight: "Dirty Rag/Clean Rag"

Preparation: Place clean cloth in the first bag. Place the second bag inside the first bag so it covers the clean cloth. Fold the top of bag so only one bag is seen. Show students there is nothing inside the bag.

(*Hold up dirty rag*) What does this rag look like? (**Resp**) It reminds me that sin ruins our lives. Definition, Examples (*Put dirty rag in top of bag.*) Other can't see it but it is there. Sin makes us a slave. (**Romans 6:20a.**) Your sin separates you God who loves you. Deserve punishment. You need someone to set you free from being a slave.

The only one who can set you free is one who had no sin of his own. Could I set you free? (**Resp**) Who is the only one? Jesus! God the Son, sinless, He suffered and died on the cross, so you could be saved set free from sin.

(*Rip open bottom of first bag taking out the clean cloth.*) Jesus is the only one powerful enough to set you free!

He is powerful enough to come back to life. Sin could not stop Jesus. "Jesus wins!" (*Yell with students*) He is alive today.

He wants you to know you can be set free from sin and belong to God. (**Romans 6:22a**) When you believe in Jesus as your Savior, He sets you free from the power of sin, so you can live for God.

He loves you. He made you. He wants you to know Him. Will you believe in Jesus today?

Invitation: Will you believe on Jesus today? Review Need & Way. Satan does not want you to believe. (**Romans 10:13** "For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.")

Lesson 5 Notes

Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus tempted in the wilderness

1. Jesus led by Spirit into wilderness
2. Fasted 40 days and nights
3. Satan comes to him to tempt him to make bread from stones (4:3)
4. Jesus responds with scriptures *“man shall not live by bread alone. But by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”*
5. Satan takes him to the top of temple – tempting him to throw himself off- Satan quotes scriptures
6. Jesus quotes scriptures *“you shall not put the Lord your God to the test.”*
7. Satan takes him to high mountain – tempting him to bow to him. (4:8)
8. Jesus tells Satan to leave- He quotes scriptures *“You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.”*
9. The Devil leaves Jesus – Angels come to minister Jesus

Luke 4:1-13

1. Jesus full of the Spirit led into wilderness, fasting 40 days
2. Devil came to him- tempting Jesus three times
3. Jesus answers each time with scripture

“It is written; Man shall not live by bread alone.”

“It is written “You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.””

“It is said, “You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.””

4. The Devil departed – Angel came to minister to Jesus.

Romans 5

(1-5) Believers are no longer guilty because of faith in Christ. They have peace with God only through Jesus Christ.

Through Christ there is now access to God’s grace. This is only by faith in Him.

You can now stand guilty less and free from sin.

We can rejoice, be exceedingly happy because of this new position

We can rejoice in our suffering. Why? We know what our suffering produces.

It produces endurance, leads to character, leading to hope.

This hope will not disappoint; there is no shame

God’s love has been poured out into our hearts – through the Holy Spirit, a gift to us.

(6-11) While we were weak in our sin, at the perfect time Christ died for the ungodly.

One might die for one who seem to deserve it, a righteous person.

God showed His love while we still sinners. He does not wait for us to be the right kind of person. As you are.

We are made right with God justified by His blood shed on the cross.

We are also saved from the wrath of God.

We were enemies at one time. Now we are now reconciled. Relationship restored to God by the death of his son Jesus. We shall be saved by His life. He sacrificed – We are saved

We rejoice in God by means of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Through Him we received reconciliation.

(12-21) Death came through Adam- death spread to all – sin around before law – death reigned from Adam to Moses. (Adam was a type are) (?)

The Gift from Christ is different from the sin that came through Adam.

The Free gift in Christ is far greater than death that came through Adam sin. Sin spread to all – Forgiveness through Christ is a gift to be received.

Sin brought judgment, condemnation, death

Christ brought justification, righteousness and eternal life.

James 1:14-15 *“But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.”*

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Lesson 6

Happy Birthday Review Party

Theme / Decoration: Celebrate! Review party with a Birthday theme to celebrate Jesus' birth and the new birth that comes when we trust in Jesus as our Savior. Can also be used to celebrate the birthday of children in you club.

Simple decorations. Many games to choose from. Pick the ones that work for you. Include Gospel and growth spotlight. Review memory verses, lesson and the past Word Up! And don't forget to make it fun!

Theme Ideas: Can have the children help decorate with balloons, banners and streamers.

Balloon Pop schedule: Write each activity on a piece of paper and put in balloons. If you want to make sure the specific activity happens, write numbers on balloons with permanent marker so you can choose the activity.

Behavior Incentive—Birthday Present Points

Point values on slips of paper placed in gift bag. Also included papers with "Happy Birthday" written on them.

Explain: As children behave and follow rules they can pick from bag. They earn those points for their team. If they pick "Happy Birthday" they earn 1,000 points for their team.

Welcome Activities:

"The Best Present of All" - Form a circle with children. Pass a balloon or gift. Whoever is holding the balloon or bag will say one thing they would like as a present. After everyone has shared, pass the balloon around. Have the children remember what everyone wanted as a present. Tell them the greatest of all presents is Jesus.

"Birthday Card" Craft- Provide each child with markers or crayons. Give them a chance to decorate a Birthday Card.

Optional Birthday Card Game: Mix up the cards. Have kids guess whose card is whose.

Gospel Spotlight

"The Best Birthday Present" What is your favorite part of your bday? The gifts are for you! You get to open them and enjoy them! But what is reason we have this party today? The greatest bday? **(Resp)**
1. Present visual #1- Jesus as baby. God's people were waiting for Savior. What can you tell me about Jesus' birth? **(Resp)** Review events of birth.

Say, **"God keeps His promises"**

GOD'S LOVE- 1 John 4:8b **"God is love"** He is the loving creator. Kept HIS promise to send a Savior. Who came to worship Him? **(Resp)**

2. Present visual #2- Wise men worship Jesus. Say **"Jesus is King"**

3. Present visual #3- Jesus as a boy. He learned, never sinned. When Jesus was 12? **(Resp)** Say, **"Obey God"** We don't always obey.
SIN- No one is perfect. Example. Definition, **Isaiah 59:2** **"but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God."** Jesus obeyed God the Father. Jesus grew

4. Present visual #4- Jesus being baptized by John. Jesus 30 years old God introduced Jesus as His Son. How did this happen. **(Resp)** (Read Matthew 3:17b) **"This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."** Say, **"Only Jesus saves"**

5. Present visual #5- Jesus being tempted. What happened to Jesus in the wilderness? **(Resp)** He is the only one who can be the Savior. JESUS SAVES- Without sin. Takes your punishment, suffered, died. Separated from God because of our sins. **1 Peter 2:24a** **"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness."**
On the third day He came alive! He can do this because He is God! Celebrate!

He is the only one who can be the Savior. Say, **"Jesus wins"** Spent 40 days with followers. Over 500 saw him alive.

INVITATION- You can have your sins forgiven. Review need & way. **John 3:15** **"that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."**

Items: Visual 1-5, Word up card

Memory Verse And Songs:

Song Repetition:

“Celebration Song Review” - As kids are singing throw in some balloons to keep in the air.

Give party streamers to use while singing songs

Items needed: *Balloons, Party streamers*

Memory Verse Repetition

“Wrapping Paper Verse Review” Cut different sized rectangles from colorful wrapping paper. Each time you repeat the verse allow child to choose a piece of wrapping paper to hold in front of verse visual to block a word.

Items Needed: *Wrapping paper squares*

“Birthday Month Memory Verse Review” Have 12 cards with different months of the year written on them. Place them face down on a table. Have child pick a card. All kids must stand and say verse. Those with birthdays in that month must spin around and say a chosen word from verse. **Items needed:** *Cards with months written on them.*

Growth Spotlight: “Born Again Birthday Present”

Did you know that I have two birthdays? (**Resp**)

God changes you on the inside. God calls it being born again. He has given you amazing gifts. *(Have kids pull card from gift bag.)*

Bible: His word, the scriptures. Tells what we need to know about God.

Who is God and what He is like. Can memorize them, Holy Spirit helps you, reminds you of His promises.

New Desires: You believe in Jesus you become a new creation.

2 Corinthians 5:17 *“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away, behold the new has come.”*

Prayer: Gift of prayer. Talking to God daily. He wants to listen to what you have to say. Talk anytime anywhere about anything. *“Pray without ceasing.”*

Holy Spirit: God the Holy Spirit is with you all the time. Helps you say not to temptation. He reminds you what God’s word says. **Hebrews 2:18** These are some of the gifts God has given you when you believe. Thank God for these gifts. (Prayer with class)

Items: *Gift bag, Born Again Birthday cards.*

Bible Lesson Review Games:

“When’s Your Birthday” – Have 12 cards with month of year on them. Place cards face down on table. Divide into two teams. Ask questions from series. With each right answer team flips a card over. Everyone with bday in that month stands. The rest of class sing birthday song to them.

The team wins 100 points for everyone with bday in the chosen month.

Items: *12-month cards.*

“How Old Are You?” With each right answer child guess the age of a selected teacher. They must wait till end of game to see if his answer is right. The team with closest guess wins.

“Decorate the Cake”- Have a large picture of a cake. Provide different colored paper candles for each team. After each right answer one from the team is blind folded and tries to tape the candle on the cake. Whoever gets the candle on the top wins 100 points for team.

Items: Blindfold, tape and paper candles.

Interactive Games:

“Act Your Age” –

Have cards with simple action written on them. Place cards in gift bag. A child pulls a card from the bag. All those the same age as child who pulled from the bag must do the action once for every year of their age.

“Shake the Present” – Put an unbreakable item in a box, wrap the box. Allow children to pass the box around so each child can guess what is inside. After each had a turn guessing. Class will cheer for their favorite answer. Have younger children help unwrap the present. Variation: prepare several wrapped boxes with diff gifts inside.

“Birthday Balloon Relay” – kids line up in single file line. Give balloon to first child in each line. They pass the balloon over and under. The first team to get their balloon to the back wins.

Items Needed: Balloons, Gift bags, Wrapped box & items, Candy, Party decorations.

Snack Time

Verse Review Game

The Best Birthday Present Gospel

Born Again Birthday Present Growth

Bible Lesson Review Game

Song

Interactive Games

Song

Luke 2:11

“For unto you

is born this day

in the city

of David

a Savior who is

Christ the Lord.”

Luke 2:11

A baby

Angels

King David

Bethlehem

Mary

Shepherds

A manger

Taxes

Joseph

Strips of
cloth

Gabriel

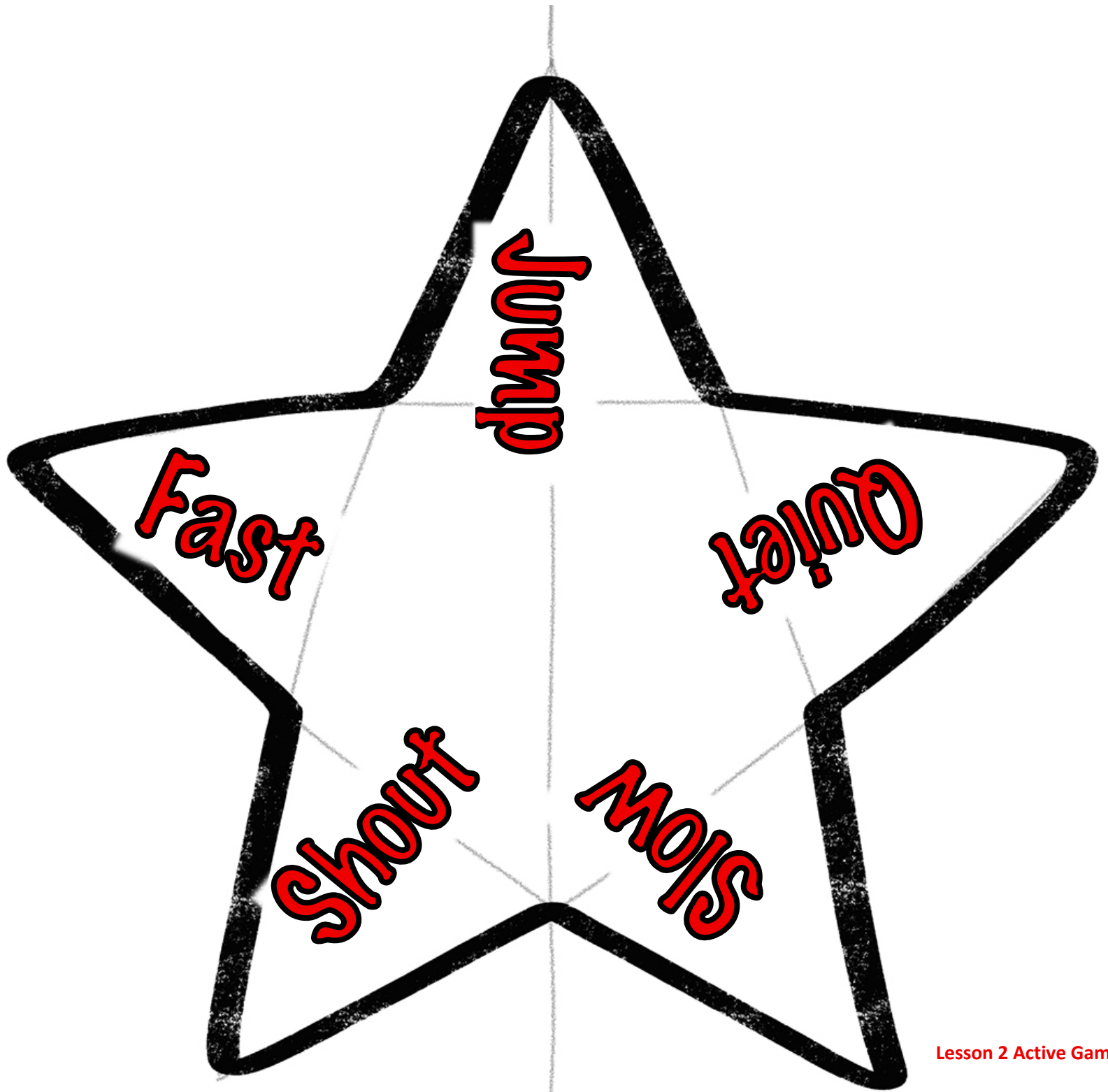
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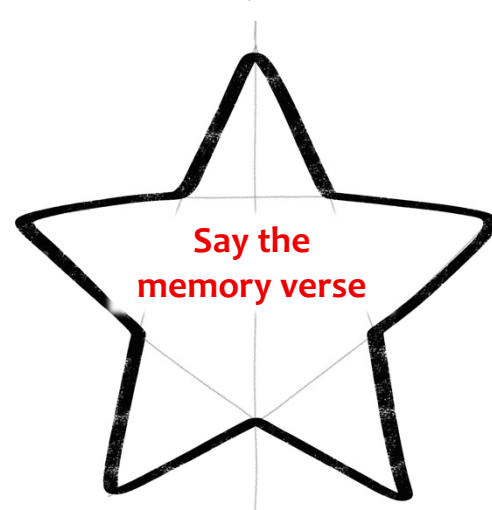
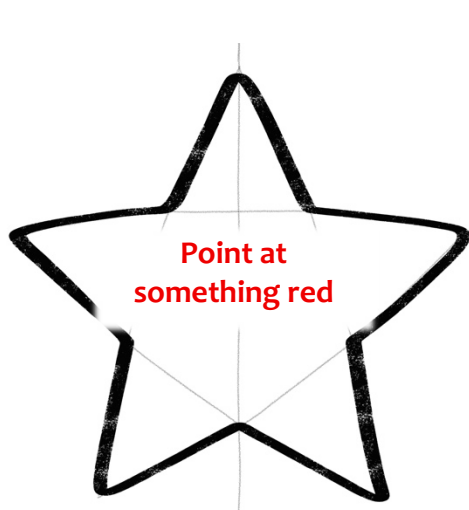
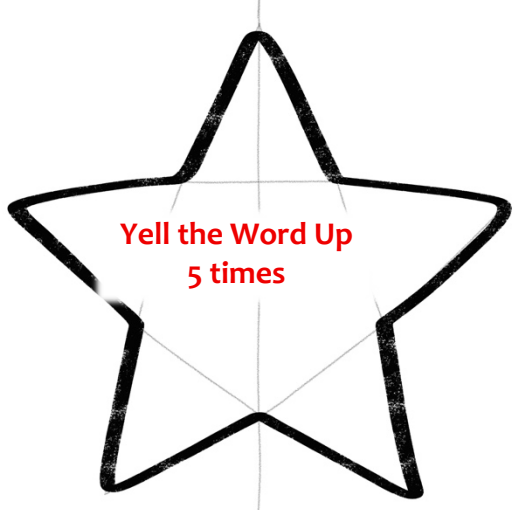
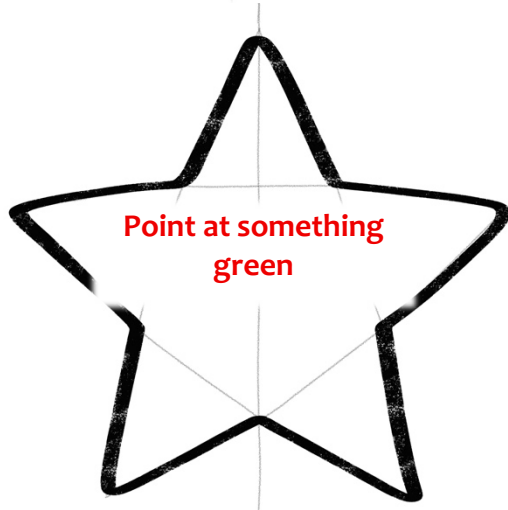
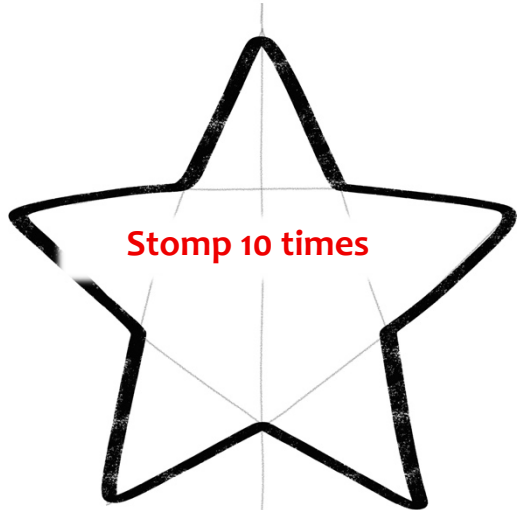
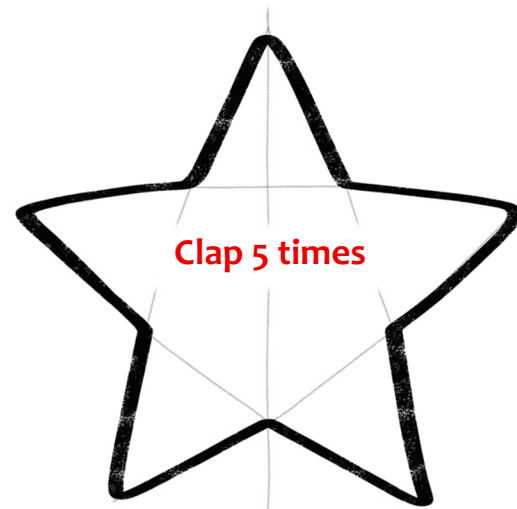
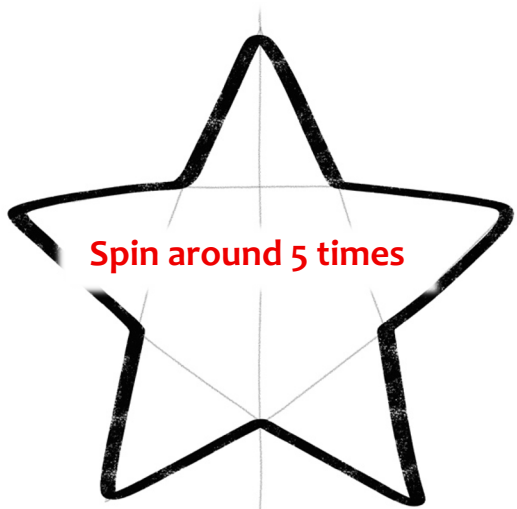


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Lesson 1 Active Game
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Philippians 2:13

“for it is God

who works

in you,

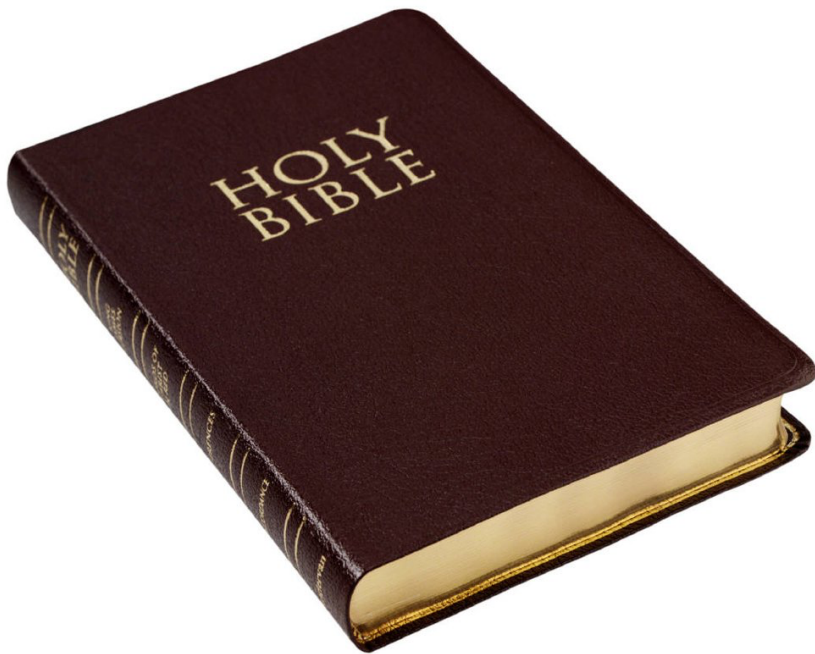
both to will

and to work

for His good pleasure

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Proverbs