

GOOD News! Great JOY!



**Sticker
Activity
for Advent**



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Are you ready for some good news?
Are you prepared to share the great joy
of Jesus' birth?

On the first day of December, assemble
the stable by following the directions
on the included cut-out poster. Each day
after that, add a sticker to the manger
scene display. The numbers will give you
suggestions on where to place them.

Read the good news Gospel story as
your manger scene grows. The familiar
words, written long ago by Luke and
Matthew, bring great joy to our hearts
each and every day!

On December 25, add the final piece
to the manger scene—a piece that rep-
resents YOU! Jesus is born! God is with
us! You are now the bearer of God's good
news! You carry the gift of great joy
that can be shared with all people!

December 1 The STABLE

*“... because there was no room
for them at the inn.”*

God made a promise long ago
to send a Savior to us all.

Good news! God’s promise
has been kept!

Great joy! You’ll find him
in this stall!

Keep eyes and ears
alert for clues

that point the way to God’s good news!



Assemble
your STABLE
display today.

Dec. 2 MARY

*“Greetings, O favored one,
the Lord is with you!”*



When Mary heard the angel’s words,
she wondered how they could be true.

“You’ll have a child,” the angel said.

“The Son of God!
God’s chosen you!”

And Mary answered, “Let it be.
I’ll bear this good news faithfully.”

Dec. 3 The FATHER

*“He will be great, and will be called
the Son of the Most High ...”*

We may not see our Father in heaven,
but we believe that God is near.

So there’s no sticker for today.

Instead, we say a joy-filled prayer.

“Dear God, you sent your Son to dwell
with us as our Immanuel.”

Dec. 4 JOSEPH

“Joseph also went ...”

An angel spoke in Joseph’s dream.

“The child that Mary’s carrying

Will save God’s people from their sins!

So, have no fear of marrying.

This is God’s plan!

Good news! Great joy!

The world is saved

through Mary’s boy!



Dec. 5 DONKEY

“... from the town of Nazareth ... to the city of David called Bethlehem ...”



The journey down to Bethlehem
would be a long trip for those two.
Is this how God’s Son would arrive?
Is this the way to bring Good News?
A prophet once foretold this thing.
“A humble donkey bears a King!”

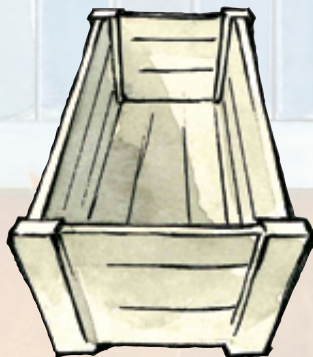
Dec. 6 MANGER

“... and laid him in a manger ...”

When they arrived in town, those two,
they sheltered in
a barn quite small.

And in that simple, humble room,
the Son of God was born for all.

Instead of cribs or comfy cradles—
this manger in a simple stable.





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**There is a baby in the stable,
In the manger, in the hay.
He is the Savior of the world.
That's what the angels say!**

**The shepherds bow in greeting.
The wise men kneel in awe
to see the God
of heaven and earth
asleep and in the straw.**

**A star is pointing to him.
The beasts are gathered near.
He is the Savior,
Christ, the Lord!
Good news for all to hear!**

