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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 19 • Session 1

## JESUS WAS BORN

Matthew 1; Luke 1-2

### WHO IS JESUS? JESUS IS THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF GOD, WHO CAME TO EARTH TO SAVE US.

God sent the angel Gabriel to Mary. Gabriel said, "Greetings, favored woman! You are going to have a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be called the Son of God, and he will rule over God's kingdom forever." Mary wondered how this could be possible. She was not married. The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and you will give birth to a son."

"I am the Lord's servant," said Mary. "May it happen just as you said."

Mary was engaged to Joseph. He planned to quietly end their engagement. But an angel appeared to him in a dream, "Joseph, don't be afraid to marry Mary. The baby is from the Holy Spirit. You are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." God told the prophets this long ago.

Joseph and Mary went to Bethlehem to be registered. While there, Mary gave birth to Jesus, wrapped him tightly in cloth, and laid him in a manger.

Shepherds were out watching over their sheep at night. An angel of the Lord stood before them and said, "Don't be afraid, because I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the city of David a Savior was born for you, who is the Messiah, the Lord."

When the angels left, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go straight to Bethlehem and see what has happened." They hurried off and found Mary, Joseph, and the baby who was lying in the manger. Then the shepherds went and shared the good news of what they had been told.

Christ Connection: God kept His promise to send Jesus, the Messiah, to save people from their sins. God will keep His promise to save everyone who trusts in Jesus as Savior and Lord.

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# Special Messages Crossword | Fill in the crossword puzzle by completing each statement.

## ACROSS

- Mary said, "How is this possible? I am not even \_\_\_\_\_."
- Gabriel said the \_\_\_\_\_ would come upon Mary.
- "The baby's name will be \_\_\_\_\_."
- The name of the angel that visited Mary was \_\_\_\_\_.

## DOWN

- "Nothing is \_\_\_\_\_ with God."
- "Jesus will save His people from their \_\_\_\_\_."



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**On the Road to Bethlehem |** Help Mary and Joseph get to Bethlehem. Then, help the shepherds reach Bethlehem to worship the Savior of the world, Jesus.