

## DEAR PARENTS,

Just like you, your child heard how the angel brought a message to Joseph, and Joseph trusted God. You can help your child continue to learn more about trusting God, too, by using the activities in this Take-Home Paper. Complete one activity each day with the suggested schedule or complete it at your own pace. Once completed, sign the parent signature and have your child bring it back the following week for a special prize!



Look at the cover page together. Put their name on it. Say the One Thing together, "I Will Trust God!" Say the Memory Verse. Open your Bible to Matthew 1:18-24 and show them where this passage is. Read it out loud as you point to the words. Tell them that Matthew starts the New Testament when God sent His Son, Jesus, to the world. We celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas. Color the cover together.



Look at page 1. This is the illustrated story from Matthew 1:18-24 that they heard and saw in class. Read the story as your child points to the pictures. If you would like to watch the lesson from class with your child, go to the Alive Church website and click on Ministries > Alive Kids Ministry.



Look at page 2. Read the poem and color Mary and Joseph together. Read the poem again! Your child will enjoy the rhyme and rhythm. Talk about how Jesus started His earthly life as a baby, with Mary and Joseph as His earthly parents. Point out the angel. God sent angels to give them both hope that everything would be okay. They trusted God! The angel brought such good news - Jesus was coming!



Look at pages 3-4. Get out crayons and help your child color in the pops to create a colorful angel. Point out Mary and Joseph. The angel came to give them a message that they would be the earthly parents of the Son of God. They trusted God! Tell your child how YOU have trusted God.



Look at page 5. It's our classroom friend, Willard! Read about Willard's tree and color it together.



Look at page 6. Read the words and write the letters. Look through the completed Take-Home Paper and see all that you did and learned. What was your favorite part?



# Take-Home Paper

## Early Childhood



Name \_\_\_\_\_

**ONE THING  
I WILL TRUST  
GOD!**

MEMORY VERSE

"For a child is born to us, a son is  
given to us."

Isaiah 9:6



Bible Story  
Joseph Trusts God  
Matthew 1:18-24

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Parent's Signature

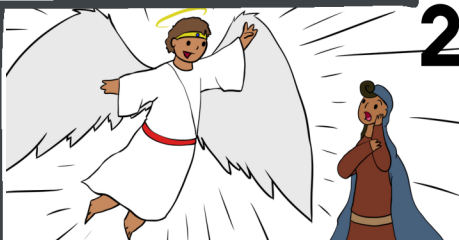
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# READ THE JOSEPH TRUSTS GOD

Matthew 1:18-24



"This is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother, Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph.



But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit.

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Joseph, to whom she was engaged, was a righteous man and did not want to disgrace her publicly, so he decided to break the engagement quietly.



As he considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream 'Joseph, son of David,' the angel said, 'do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife. For the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit. And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'

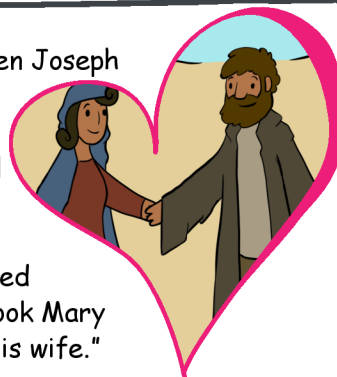
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All of this occurred to fulfill the Lord's message through his prophet: 'Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means "God is with us."'

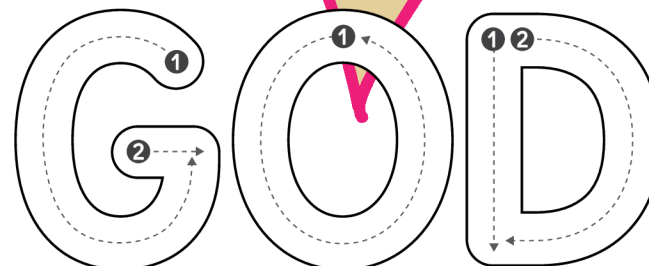
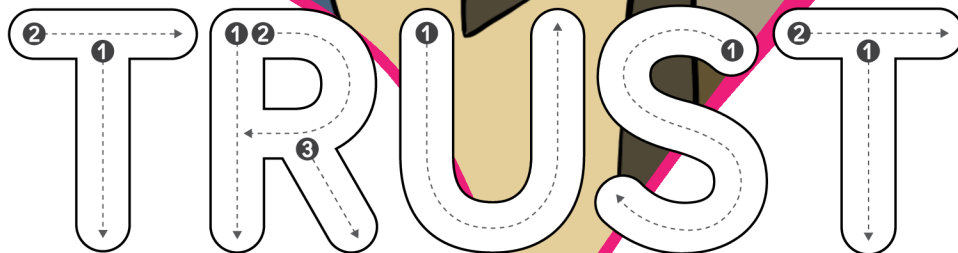
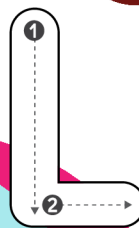
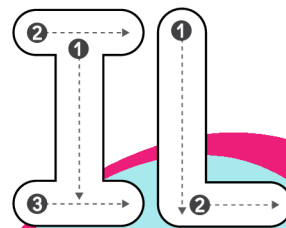
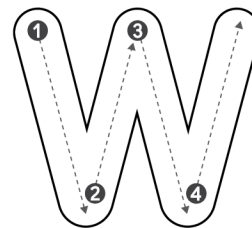
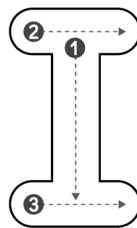
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When Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded and took Mary as his wife."



# SAY AND WRITE THE ONE THING

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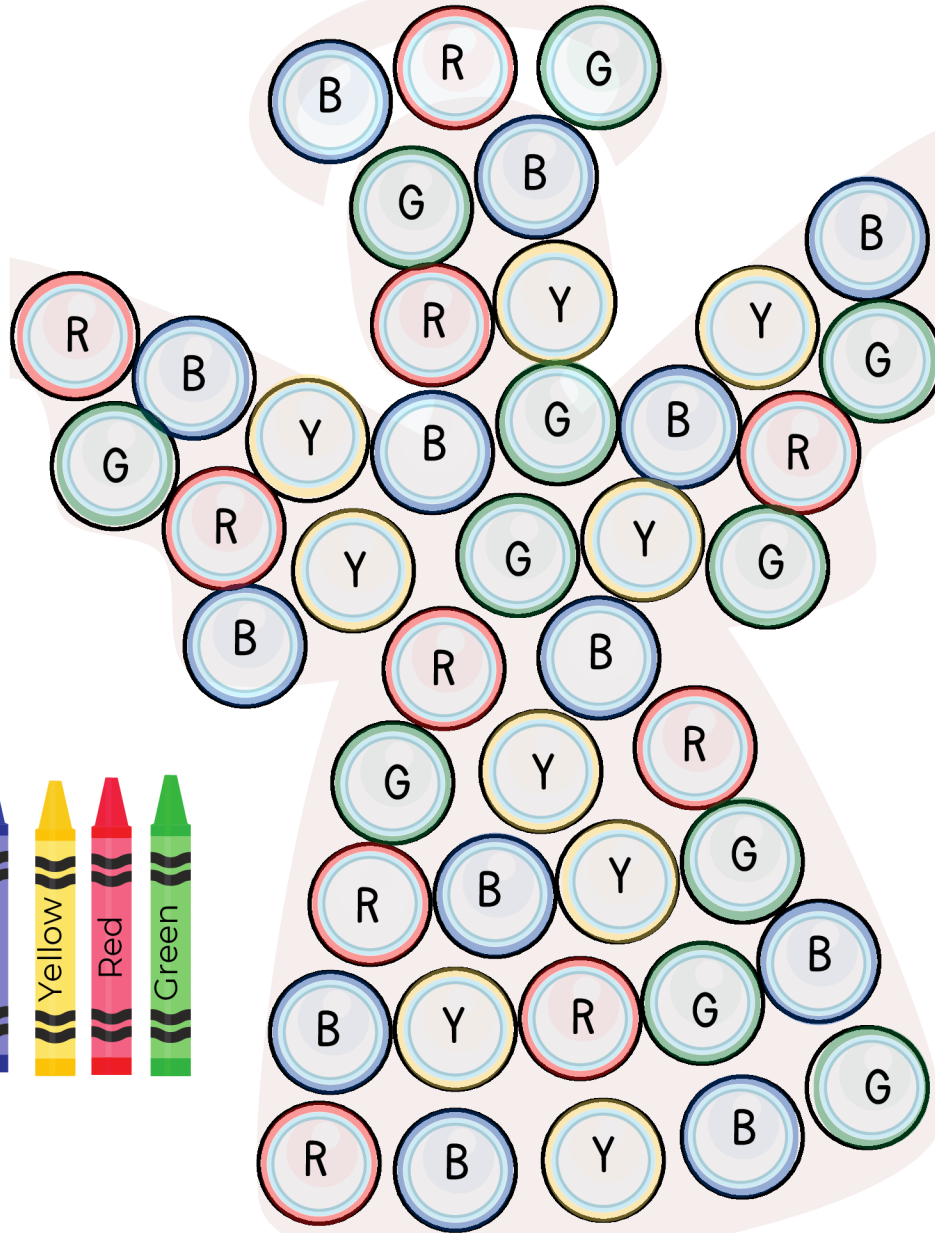


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# THE ANGEL BRINGS A SPECIAL MESSAGE

Directions: Use  
crayons to color in  
the pops!

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## MEMORY VERSE

"FOR A CHILD IS  
BORN TO US, A SON IS  
GIVEN TO US."

ISAIAH 9:6



Joseph can trust God!

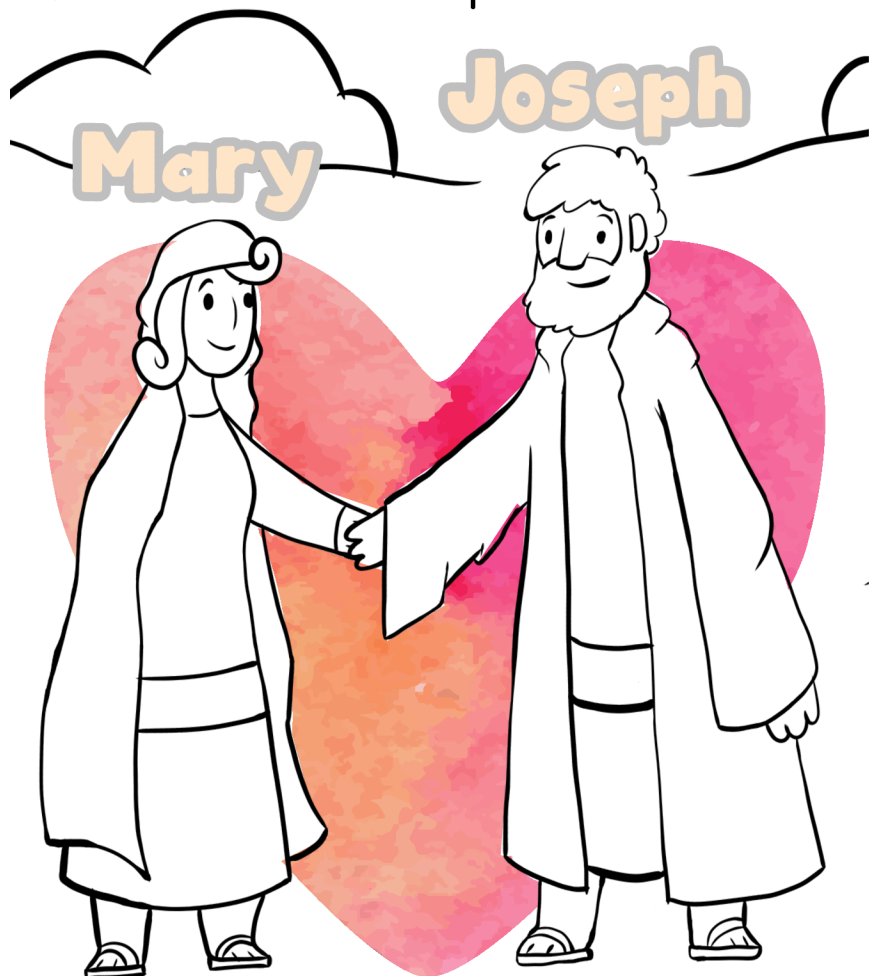


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## READ THE POEM AND COLOR



An angel came  
In Joseph's dream  
To tell him not to fear.  
For Mary would  
Become his wife.  
She's special! It was clear.



## THE ANGEL BROUGHT THE GOOD NEWS

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Willard made an angel like the one from the Bible story to go on top of his tree. Now, when anyone asks why an angel is on the top, he can tell them that God sent an angel to let Joseph know that he could trust God's plan! Watch for the angel again in the coming weeks as the story continues!

**Color the angel for Willard.**

