



DECEMBER THEME



BIBLE STORY

Luke 1:26-56

Joyful, Joyful | Gabriel Appears to Mary
Spark Story Bible, pg. 196-201 + 202-207
Angels Visit + Mary Visits Elizabeth

BOTTOM LINE

You can have JOY because God has a plan for you

MEMORY VERSE

“Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord.”
Luke 2:11 (NIRV)

LIFE APP

Christmas | Celebrating Jesus, God’s greatest gift

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what



•• THURSDAY 12/10

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Luke 1:30-31

TALK | Can you imagine if an angel appeared to you like one did to Mary? What would you do? What would you say?

PRAY | For your family’s highs and lows, for our world’s leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with JOY...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus’ love: “You are a loved child of God,” “Jesus loves you and so do I,” or the baptismal promise: “You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever.”

•• FRIDAY 12/11

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Luke 1:38

TALK | Sometimes things don’t work out the way we want them to and it’s easy to get upset, angry or pout. Today’s verse offers us a different way to respond: with joy knowing that God is always with us.

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BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus’ love: “You are a loved child of God,” “Jesus loves you and so do I,” or the baptismal promise: “You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever.”

•• SATURDAY 12/12

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Psalm 33:11

TALK | No matter what happens in life, it gives us joy to remember that God is in control. Even when things don’t go the way we want: God is there, ready to help us through.

PRAY | For your family’s highs and lows, for our world’s leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs



prayer, for a heart filled with JOY...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• SUNDAY 12/13

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Psalm 32:8

TALK | What challenges are you facing this week? Is school or a work project bringing you stress? This verse reminds us that we're not alone...no matter what we're facing, God is there.

PRAY | For your family's highs and lows, for our world's leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/ anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with JOY...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• MONDAY 12/14

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Jeremiah 29:11

TALK | God knows you by name. God loves you with a love that will never, ever end. God has a plan for you.

PRAY | For your family's highs and lows, for our world's leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/ anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with JOY...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• TUESDAY 12/15

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Luke 2:11

TALK | God gave us the gift of Jesus. How might that gift impact how you face challenges and change in your life? How might that gift impact how you think about yourself and who you are? How might that gift bring you great joy today?

PRAY | For your family's highs and lows, for our world's leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/ anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with JOY...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• WHAT'S NEXT

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