

FAMILIES,

We hope these cards will be a beneficial resource to your family during the Advent Season! These Advent cards follow the big story of Scripture from creation to the birth of Jesus, highlighting God's faithfulness and His plan for a Savior. Each day, there is a guide to reading the Jesus Storybook Bible (JSB) and/or reading the Scripture passage if you do not have a JSB. There are also daily questions, a weekly memory verse, and suggested activities. Each card should take 5-10 minutes to go through together as a family. We hope you'll use them year after year to prepare for the birth of our Savior!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 12 - The Story and the Song

BIBLE READING

Psalm 19:1 Hebrews 1:10

QUESTIONS

Who wrote the Bible? Who created the Earth?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God has been in control since the beginning. The Bible is a whole story, not just little stories.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth"

PRAYER

God, thank You for writing a story for salvation.

Thank You for loving us and having a plan for our lives.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 18 - The Beginning: A Perfect Home

BIBLE READING

Genesis 1 & 2

QUESTIONS

What are some things God created? Did God create the world with sin?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God created the world and said, "It is good." God created animals, plants, and even you and me!

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning, God created

PRAYER

God, thank You for creation! Thank You for making animals, plants, food, and me!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 28 - The Terrible Lie

BIBLE READING

Genesis 3:1-24

QUESTIONS

How did Adam and Eve sin?

Did God leave us alone with sin or did He make a promise?

What was the promise?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Adam and Eve sinned in the garden and sin entered the world. We have sinned, too, God made a promise to save us from our sins.

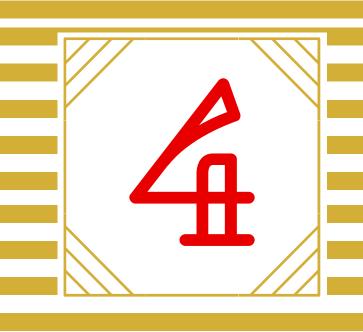
WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

PRAYER

God, we know we are sinners. We are sorry for our sin.

Thank you for sending Jesus to make a way for us to
have a relationship with You.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 38 - A New Beginning

BIBLE READING

Genesis 6:9-14; 6:17-22; 8:15-22

QUESTIONS

Why did God send a flood and why did He choose Noah to build an ark?

What did God send after the storm to show He wouldn't destroy the world again?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God always keeps His promises.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

PRAYER

God, we know that sin makes us broken. Thank You for always keeping Your promises.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 48 - A Giant Staircase to Heaven

BIBLE READING

Genesis 11:1-9

QUESTIONS

Why did the people want to build a tower?
Why did God not want the people to build a tower?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God had planned to send Jesus to forgive our sins since the beginning.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Play Jenga together as a family.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

PRAYER

God, thank You for always planning for Jesus. We know we could not have saved ourselves from our sins.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 56 - Son of Laughter

BIBLE READING

Genesis 15:5; 21:1-7

QUESTIONS

How did God keep his promise to Abraham?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God had planned for one way to salvation - Jesus.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Go outside with blankets and hot chocolate and look at the stars. If there is too much light pollution or weather does not permit, cuddle up inside and watch time lapse videos of the night sky on YouTube.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

PRAYER

God, thank You for always keeping your promises.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 62 - The Present

BIBLE READING

Genesis 22:1-18

QUESTIONS

Do you think it was hard for Abraham to trust God? Why?

How did God provide?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

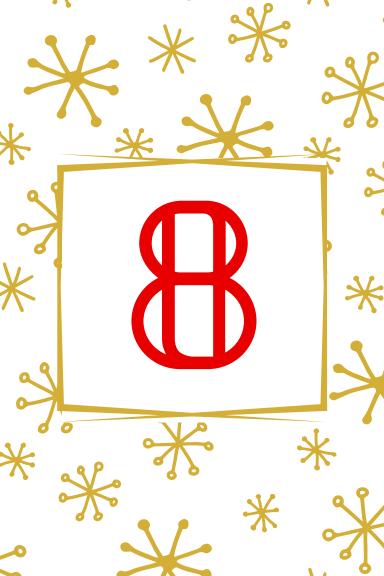
God provided another sacrifice - Jesus - so we could have forgiveness of sins.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

PRAYER

God, thank You for always providing a way to forgive our sins.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 70 - The Girl No One Wanted

BIBLE READING

Genesis 29:14b-35

QUESTIONS How do you think Leah felt?

How do you think Lean felt?

Does God love everyone - no matter what anyone else thinks?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God loves everyone.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Think of someone that might need to hear about the love of God this week and write them a card.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all Your Heart."

PRAYER

God, thank You for always loving us!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 76 - The Forgiving Prince

BIBLE READING

Genesis 37:3-36: 45:1-11

QUESTIONS

How did God use the jealous brothers' sins for good?

Do you think it was easy for Joseph to forgive his brothers?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God can use bad things for good.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all Your Heart."

PRAYER

Thank You God for using bad things for good and always providing a way for us!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 84 - God to the Rescue

BIBLE READING

Exodus 3:1-10

QUESTIONS

What were some of the plagues God sent? Why?
What were the Israelites supposed to call the day to remember
the great rescue?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God provides a way to rescue His people.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all Your Heart."

PRAYER

Thank You God for rescuing us from sin! We know that
You sent Jesus to set us free!

JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 92 - God Makes a Way

BIBLE READING

Exodus 14:13-31

QUESTIONS

What did God do to help His people?
How would you have celebrated to thank God for rescuing you?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We can praise and thank God for what He has done.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Allow your children to pick their favorite Christmas carol and sing it together as a family.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all Your Heart."

PRAYER

Thank You God for saving us! We will praise You!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 100 - Ten Ways to Be Perfect

BIBLE READING

Exodus 20:1-20

QUESTIONS Did the Israelites follow all the rules?

Did the Israelites follow all the rules?

Do you always follow the rules?

Who is the only person that can keep all the rules

and be perfect?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We cannot keep all the rules.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Pull out a deck of cards and play Go Fish as a family - but make up ridiculous rules that are impossible to follow! (Stand on one foot to ask for 3s, run to the kitchen and bring back a towel to ask for 5s, etc.) Say: "These rules are silly and hard to keep. But God's rules are serious when we break them. This is called sin. We need a

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all Your Heart."

PRAYER

Thank You God for providing a way to help save us because we cannot keep all the rules.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 108 - The Warrior Leader

BIBLE READING

Joshua 6:1-20

QUESTIONS

Why do God's people keep sinning?

God was getting ready to give his people another leader - Do
you know who that leader is?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We will always sin and forget God's promises.

God will always keep His promises.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart."

PRAYER

God, we are sorry for forgetting about You. Thank You for keeping
Your promises even when we don't keep ours.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 116 - The Teeny, Weenie... True King

BIBLE READING

1 Samuel 16:1-13

QUESTIONS

Why did the people want a king?
Where was David born? Why is this important?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God planned for Jesus to be the true King.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart."

PRAYER

God, we know that You are the only true King! Thank You for being a perfect King.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 122 - The Young Hero and The Horrible Giant

BIBLE READING

1 Samuel 17:4-7; 33-50

QUESTIONS

Why were the Israelites scared of Goliath?

God helped David fight Goliath. Who did He send to fight
for our sins?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God sent a Hero to fight for us - Jesus.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:5 - "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."

PRAYER

Thank you God for sending Jesus to fight for us! We know we are sinners and we need a Savior.

JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 130 - The Good Shepherd

BIBLE READING

Psalm 23:1-6

QUESTIONS

What are David's songs called?
Shepherds love their sheep. How does Jesus love us?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Jesus is not only a hero, He is a shepherd who comforts us.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Pick out your favorite praise song and sing it together as a family.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:5 - "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."

PRAYER

Thank you God for guiding us and keeping us safe.

JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 136 - A Little Servant Girl and The Proud General

BIBLE READING

2 Kings 5:1-16

QUESTIONS

Do you think it was hard for the servant girl to help Naaman?

Why was Naaman sicker on the inside than he was on the outside?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God can mend broken hearts.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:5 - "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."

PRAYER

Thank You God for healing our hearts - just like You did Naaman's - by sending Jesus.



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 144 - Operation "No More Tears!"

BIBLE READING

Isaiah 9:6-7

QUESTIONS

Why do you think that God's people didn't listen to God's letter?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God always keeps His promises - even when we don't believe it.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Talk about the meaning of your names and why you chose your children's names.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:5 - "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."

PRAYER

Thank you God for keeping Your promises, even when we don't believe You!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 152 -Daniel and the Scary Sleepover

BIBLE READING

Daniel 6:1-28

QUESTIONS

Why did Daniel not obey the law?
Why was the king amazed the next morning?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God can and has rescued us from the most dangerous situations!

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:5 - "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."

PRAYER

Thank You God for sending Your Son Jesus to rescue us from sins.

It is even greater than how You rescued Daniel!

JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 160- God's Messenger

BIBLE READING

Jonah 1:1-17

QUESTIONS

Will God ever stop loving us?

How many days did Jonah spend in the belly of the whale?

How many days did Jesus spend in the tomb?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God's greatest message is His Son.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Bake Christmas cookies together & write a card that says "God loves you" and deliver them to a neighbor.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:5 - "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."

PRAYER

Thank you God for always loving us even when we disobey You!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 170 - Get Ready!

BIBLE READING

Nehemiah 8:1-12

QUESTIONS What did Nehemiah's name mean?

What did Nehemiah's name mean?
Was God going to punish people or rescue them? How?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We can prepare for Jesus' arrival.

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Get ready for Jesus' coming! Plan a party as a family to celebrate Jesus' birth on day 23.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:5 - "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."

PRAYER

Thank You God for keeping your promises! Help our hearts prepare for Jesus!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 176 -He's Here!

BIBLE READING

Luke 1:26-38; 2:1-7

QUESTIONS

How would you have expected Jesus to come?

Did God keep His promise?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God kept His promise!

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 3:17 "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

PRAYER

Thank You God for keeping Your promise!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 184 - The Light of the Whole World

BIBLE READING

Luke 2:8-20

QUESTIONS

Why was it strange that God sent his angels to tell the shepherds?

Would you have been afraid of the angels?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We can celebrate that Jesus has arrived!

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY

Have a party!

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 3:17 "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

PRAYER

Thank You God for bringing Jesus! We are celebrating His birth!



JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

Pg. 192 - The King of All Kings

BIBLE READING

Matthew 2:1-12

QUESTIONS

Why was Jesus a different type of King?
What type of gift would you have brought Jesus?

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Jesus is the best and greatest King.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 3:17 "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

PRAYER

Thank You God for making a plan from the beginning and sending Your son, Jesus, to save us from our sins!