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Shepherds Visit Jesus

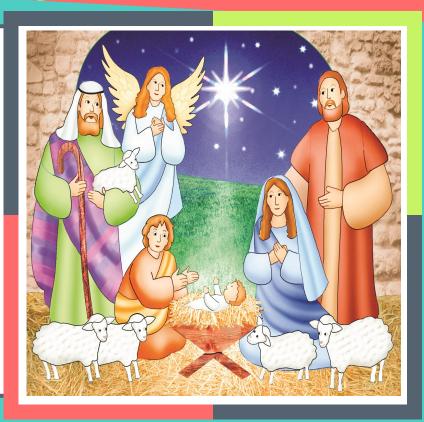**Bring this back next Sunday for a special treat!**

Bible Story

Luke 2:8-20

On the night Jesus was born, some shepherds were watching their sheep in a nearby field. Suddenly an angel stood before them and the shepherds were afraid.

"Don't be afraid," said the angel. "I am bringing special news. Today in Bethlehem God's Son was born." Then lots of angels appeared. They were all praising God.

When the angels left, the shepherds hurried to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph and baby Jesus. The shepherds knew Jesus is special. He is God's Son.

GOD FULFILLED HIS PROMISE

Color the picture of Baby Jesus in the manger. Talk about why Jesus being born is an important fulfilled promise from God!

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AN ANGEL VISITS THE SHEPHERDS

As you color the picture, talk about what the angel told the shepherds.

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FAMILY FUN

Have you ever wondered how people reacted when the shepherds told them what they had seen and heard the night Jesus was born? Did the people laugh at the shepherds? Were they excited? Telling about Jesus can be scary because we may not know what to say and we do not know how people will react. As a family, find pictures of baby Jesus that children can show to others. Make up and learn a simple rhyme about Jesus' birth. Practice showing the pictures and saying the rhyme to one another.

Next, make a list of some safe people children can talk to about Jesus. Think of people who need to know about Jesus. Then like the shepherds, tell what you have seen and heard!

SHEPHERD'S HUNT.

As a family, write a list of questions to discover about shepherds. What do shepherds do? Where do shepherds live? How many sheep can a shepherd take care of at one time? Take a family trip to a local library to discover the answers to your questions. Find children's books that show pictures and give fun facts about shepherds.