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Luke 2:1-7

Mary was going to have a baby. An angel had come to tell Mary about this baby. Her baby would be special. He would be God's Son.

When it was time to have her baby, Mary and Joseph had to take a trip. They walked and walked for three days. Finally Mary and Joseph came to Bethlehem. There were so many people that there weren't any rooms left in the inn. There wasn't anywhere else for them to stay.

Finally, Mary and Joseph found a place to stay. It wasn't a nice place. It probably wasn't even a clean place. It was a place for animals to stay! Mary's little baby was born there. Mary wrapped the little baby in some clean cloths and then she laid Him in a manger filled with clean straw. Mary and Joseph named this baby Jesus.

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# Angels tell the good news of Jesus' birth to shepherds.

Luke 2:8-20

On the night Jesus was born, some shepherds were out in the fields near Bethlehem, taking care of their sheep. It was dark and quiet. Suddenly the shepherds saw an angel! The shepherds were terrified! The angel said, "Don't be afraid. I have good news for you and for everyone else. The Savior has been born in Bethlehem. You will find the baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

As soon as the angel finished talking, the sky was full of angels. They were all praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth."

Then, suddenly, the angels were gone. The shepherds looked at each other. They said, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this baby!" They ran to Bethlehem and found baby Jesus lying in a manger. The shepherds were so happy that they told everyone they saw about Jesus. They praised God for sending Jesus!

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Luke 2:8-20



# Wise men come to worship.

Matthew 2:1-12

Wise men in a country far from Bethlehem watched the sky and tried to learn things from the stars. God put a new star in the sky so the wise men would know that Jesus was born.

The wise men traveled to Jerusalem. "Where is this new king of the Jews? We saw his star in the sky and have come to worship him," the wise men said. The priests and teachers looked in the scrolls that told about Jesus coming. The scrolls said this new king of the Jews was to be born in Bethlehem.

The wise men went to Bethlehem. The star they had seen in the sky went ahead of them and stopped over the house where Jesus was. The wise men were very happy. They went into the house, bowed down and worshiped Jesus. Then the wise men gave gifts to Jesus.

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Matthew 2:1-12



# Jesus escapes to Egypt.

Matthew 2:13-23

Joseph and Mary and little Jesus were asleep in their house. Joseph had a dream. In the dream, an angel told Joseph to get up quickly and take Mary and little Jesus to Egypt. The angel said that Jesus was in danger because King Herod wanted to kill Him! Joseph got up. He and Mary packed what they needed. They quickly left Bethlehem with Jesus. They traveled all the way to Egypt.

After they left, King Herod sent his soldiers to Bethlehem, the town where Jesus was born. King Herod told his soldiers to kill all the little boys in Bethlehem! It was a horrible thing for the king to do. The king was a very mean man. But Jesus was safe. God had protected Jesus.

Joseph and Mary and baby Jesus stayed in Egypt until the king died. Then an angel came and told Joseph that it was safe for them to go back home. They went to live in Nazareth.

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# Jesus escapes to Egypt.

Matthew 2:13-23



# Mary and Joseph look for Jesus.

Luke 2:41-52

Crowds of people were on their way home. They had been to Jerusalem for a special celebration. Mary and Joseph were there. They were walking and talking with their friends. They thought Jesus was there in the crowd, too. They thought Jesus was walking and talking with His friends.

Mary and Joseph and their friends walked all day. When it began to get dark, Mary and Joseph started looking for Jesus. *Jesus should be here somewhere* Mary must have thought. Mary and Joseph did not find Jesus. Mary and Joseph were worried. *What happened to Jesus? Did He get hurt? Is He lost?*

They hurried back to Jerusalem. Mary and Joseph looked and looked. Finally they found Jesus. He was sitting in the Temple! Jesus was listening to the teachers. Jesus was asking them questions. The teachers were amazed at Jesus. The teachers were learning from Jesus even though He was just a boy. Mary asked Jesus, "Why are you here? We have been looking for you."

Jesus said, "Why were you looking for me? Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" Jesus went home with Mary and Joseph. Jesus obeyed them.

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