

Dec 12th
Parent Guide
(Preschool)



Need to Know: God Has a Plan
Bible Story: An Angel Appears to Joseph
(Matthew 1:18-25)

WATCH TODAY'S MESSAGE

*As a family, watch today's Preschool Message from our website or YouTube.
Keep the conversation going while doing the activities listed below.*

Materials Needed: Bible, paper, coloring utensils, scissors

DO

Have each family member answer these two questions:

- Would you rather build a snowman or have a snowball fight?
- Would you rather eat Christmas cookies or drink hot chocolate?

Then SAY: Those all sound like fun things we can plan on doing this winter! Today, what we need to know is that our best plans are not even close to the amazing plans God has for us! Sending Jesus to Earth was part of God's special plan, and it's why we celebrate Christmas! Let me hear you say this after me:

God Has (both hands point up)
A Plan (palms up in front of body)

PLAY

Make an ornament with your child for the Christmas tree. Using paper and coloring utensils, have your child draw and color a candy cane shape. You can outline the shape if they need help. In the stripes of the candy cane, write "Jesus is the sweetest gift ever!" After your child is finished, cut out the paper candy cane and hang it on your Christmas tree or somewhere in your house.

As you draw, talk about these discussion questions together:

- What is one thing that you want for Christmas?
- Did you know that God has a plan for you? He does! God loves you and has a good plan just for you!

PRAY

Dear God, thank You for loving me and for having a plan for me. I love You! In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

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