



## CHRISTMAS STORY

Based on Luke 1-2 and Matthew 1-2 (ESV)

1. Long ago, God sent an angel to a woman named **MARY**. The Angel said, "*And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.*"
2. An angel appeared to a man named **JOSEPH** in a dream, saying, "*Take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.*"
3. When the baby was about to be born, Mary and Joseph had to take a long journey to **BETHLEHEM** because of a great census.
4. When they arrived, there was no room inside of the **INN**,
5. So they had to stay in a **STABLE**. A stable is a place where animals live.
6. Mary and Joseph had to stay with the **COWS**.
7. And the **GOATS**,
8. And the **DONKEYS**.
9. Outside of Bethlehem there was a hillside full of **SHEEP**.
10. A group of **SHEPHERDS** was watching over the sheep at night.
11. The **SHEPHERDS** were very afraid.
12. Because an **ANGEL** of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them.
13. The angel was accompanied by a multitude of other **ANGELS** and had a special message: "*Fear Not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior who is Christ the Lord!*"
14. "*And this will be a sign for you: You will find the baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a **MANGER**.*"
15. And all the **ANGELS** sang out "*Glory to God in the highest! And on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!*"
16. The shepherds left their **SHEEP** to search for baby Jesus, saying "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."
17. Other **MEN**, far away were also looking for Jesus.
18. They saw a special **STAR** appear in the sky.
19. These **WISE MEN** knew it was the sign for the birth of Jesus.
20. So the **WISE MEN** loaded their bags, and began to search for Jesus.
21. They packed special gifts for Jesus. They brought **GOLD**,
22. and **FRANKINCENSE**,
23. and **MYRRH** with them on their long journey.
24. The Shepherds found the manger just as the **ANGELS** had said.
25. And there was **JESUS**, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.