

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church, and you can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK

PONDER POINT: JESUS IS SAVIOR

Savior Is Born

Luke 2:8–20

Angels announce the birth of God's Son to a group of shepherds tending their flocks. The shepherds hurry to see the baby and then spread the news of the Savior's birth.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

PONDER POINT: GOD POINTS US TO JESUS

Magi

Matthew 2:1–12

God sets a new star in the heavens to guide magi from the East to His Son, Jesus.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- God went to great and extraordinary lengths to point the magi to Jesus.
- The Creator of the universe has always used the heavens to point man to Himself (Isaiah 40:26). He knew where in the sky these men were looking for truth, so He placed a star to direct them to His Good News.
- The magi left the comfort of their homes to cross the desert and present Jesus with extravagant gifts worthy of the King—gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Though this great King presented as a helpless baby, these wise men recognized and responded to Him in worship.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

This week, try praising through the alphabet with your family. Start with A and go all the way through to the letter Z, giving each family member an opportunity to share an attribute of God. Then read **Matthew 2:1–12**. Talk about what the magi did when they finally arrived and saw Jesus. Ask your children what they would do or say if they saw Jesus. Remind them of all the qualities of God they listed earlier in their praising. Their praise is a great way to worship Jesus too.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- What do you think it was like to follow the star?
- How do you think the magi felt when they finally met Jesus?
- How does God point us to Jesus?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how God Points Us to Jesus into your everyday life as a family.

REMEMBER VERSE

The Remember Verse focuses on a character trait of God that's highlighted in next week's portion of The Big God Story.

**The LORD your God is with you,
the Mighty Warrior who saves.**
Zephaniah 3:17a

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **may your hearts always point to Jesus. May you feel His strong love for you every day.**

For more information about blessing your child, go to truministry.com to the Parenting tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit HomeFrontMag.com.