



# HEY PARENTS!

Here's what we're learning in the month of January:

## ANNA AND SIMEON (LUKE 2:22-39)

January 01

**Brite Idea:** Jesus is for all people.

**Memory Verse:** "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes." **Romans 1:16a**

**He Question:** Who is Jesus?

**We Question:** Why doesn't everyone choose to follow Jesus?

*Jesus is the Savior who God promised to send from the very beginning. God sent His Son Jesus to make a way for all people to be saved from sin and have a restored relationship with God.*

*Jesus is for everyone, but all have a choice. Because we live in a sinful and fallen world, many people choose to follow themselves instead of following Him. Each person must decide for themselves to trust in Jesus.*

## BOY JESUS (LUKE 2:41-52)

January 08

**Brite Idea:** Jesus lived in complete obedience to God.

**Memory Verse:** "And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man." **Luke 2:52**

**He Question:** What was Jesus like as a kid?

**We Question:** How can we grow in our relationship with God like Jesus did?

*Jesus was a kid just like me. But unlike me, Jesus lived in complete obedience to God from the moment He was born. Jesus was both fully God, and fully man.*

*We can grow in our relationship with God by following Jesus' example. Jesus studied God's Word, prayed honestly to God, listened to wise teachers, and asked questions.*

## TEMPTATION OF JESUS AND REJECTION IN NAZARETH (LUKE 4:1-30)

January 15

**Brite Idea:** Jesus understands our struggles.

**Memory Verse:** "For because He himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to help those who are being tempted." **Hebrews 2:18**

**He Question:** Does Jesus really know what it's like to be human?

**We Question:** How do I deal with temptation and rejection?

*Jesus knows exactly what it's like to be human. Jesus faced temptation and was rejected by many people. Even though Jesus never sinned, He understands our struggles.*

*Jesus showed us how to deal with temptation and rejection. When Jesus was tempted, He fought back against lies with the truth of God's Word. When Jesus was rejected, He didn't lash out or insult the crowd, He continued to lovingly speak the truth to them.*

## JESUS CALLS THE DISCIPLES (LUKE 5:1-11, 27-31, 6:12-16)

January 22

**Brite Idea:** Jesus can change your life.

**Memory Verse:** "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation." **2 Corinthians 5:17a**

**He Question:** Who does Jesus call to follow Him?

**We Question:** What does someone have to do to follow Jesus?

*Jesus calls all people to follow Him. It doesn't matter how much you know or what you've done, anyone can accept the call to follow Jesus.*

*We don't have to fix our lives or change anything about ourselves to start following Jesus. All that is needed to follow Jesus is to believe in Him and we will be saved!*

## TRANSFIGURATION (LUKE 9:28-36)

January 29

**Brite Idea:** Jesus is God's Son.

**Memory Verse:** "And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, 'This is my Son.'" **Luke 9:35a**









**He Question:** How is Jesus different from other great teachers or leaders?

**We Question:** How does Jesus being the Son of God affect my life?

*While great teachers and prophets pointed people towards God, Jesus IS God. He has the power to change lives and set people free from sin.*

*If Jesus was just a good man or great teacher, He could point us towards God but He would not have the power to forgive us from sin and restore our relationship with God. Because Jesus is the Son of God, we can trust in His power to save us.*

# JANUARY FAMILY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY & SATURDAY
REMEMBER & RESPOND	WONDER & DISCUSS	EXPLORE	REVIEW	PUT INTO PRACTICE	PREPARE AHEAD
<b>JANUARY</b> <b>1</b> Jesus is for all people. What does this mean for me?	<b>2</b> <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> 1 John 2:2 For whose sins does this verse say Jesus paid for?	<b>3</b> Talk with your family and list your similarities and differences from each other.	<b>4</b> <b>ROMANS 1:16</b> Who can you share the good news of Jesus with today?	<b>5</b> Think about people in your life who are different than you. Ask God to help you love them like Jesus does. 	<b>6/7</b> Act out the story that you just read. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 2:41-52 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?
<b>8</b> Jesus lived in complete obedience to God. What does this mean for me?	<b>9</b> <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Proverbs 3:5-6 What does it mean that God will make our paths straight?	<b>10</b> Have a contest to see how high each person in your family can jump!	<b>11</b> <b>LUKE 2:52</b> How can you grow in wisdom like Jesus did?	<b>12</b> Talk together and make a list of five habits your family can practice together to grow closer to God. 	<b>13/14</b> Share about a time you were really hungry. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 4:1-30 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God? 
<b>15</b> Jesus understands our struggles. What does this mean for me? 	<b>16</b> <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> 1 Peter 2:24 What did Jesus' suffering and death do for us?	<b>17</b> Gather your family and go on a walk somewhere you've never been before! 	<b>18</b> <b>HEBREWS 2:18</b> How does Jesus help us when we are tempted?	<b>19</b> Pray together about the temptations and struggles you face. Discuss how Jesus can help you face them.	<b>20/21</b> What does it mean to follow someone? <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 5:1-11, 27-31, 6:12-16 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?
<b>22</b> Jesus can change your life. What does this mean for me?	<b>23</b> <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> John 10:10 What does this verse say Jesus gives us?	<b>24</b> Play a game of Follow the Leader, coming up with creative things for people to follow.	<b>25</b> <b>2 COR. 5:17</b> How do we live differently now as followers of Jesus?	<b>26</b> Come up with a way your family can serve your community in the coming week. 	<b>27/28</b> What is one thing you know about Jesus? <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 9:28-36 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?
<b>29</b> Jesus is God's Son. What does this mean for me?	<b>30</b> <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> John 3:16 Why did God send us His Son Jesus?	<b>31</b> Make tents out of pillows and blankets together. 	<b>FEBRUARY</b> <b>1</b> <b>LUKE 9:35A</b> How does Jesus being God's Son make Him different from other great leaders?	<b>2</b> Tell 3 people you know about how Jesus is God's Son! 	<b>3/4</b> When was a time someone forgave you for something? <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 7:36-50 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?