



FCA Elementary Love

Every Good gift and
every perfect gift is
from above. James
1:17

Bible Story--Luke 2:1-20; Matthew 1:18-25

Mary and Joseph were two ordinary people who were engaged to be married. Joseph was a carpenter. Mary was a young girl. They both loved God and were obedient to him.

Caesar Augustus was the emperor at this time and he made every person travel to their hometown to be counted. Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem. When they arrived in Bethlehem, the inn was full and there was no room for them to stay.

They stayed in a stable. It was a place animals lived. While Mary and Joseph were at the stable, Mary gave birth to Jesus. She wrapped her sweet baby in clothes and placed him in a manger. A manger is a place animals used to eat.

In a nearby field, an angel of the Lord appeared to the shepherds. The angels told them the Savior of the World had been born. A host of angels appeared, and they began to sing praises to God.

The shepherds went to the village and found Mary, Joseph, and Jesus. They told others the new Messiah was born. They praised God. (learnreligions.com)

God loves us so much, He gave us His Son. God could have kept this perfect person for Himself. He did not have to share Jesus with us but He did because He loves us.

Jesus wants us to share kindness and love like He did. We are to share Jesus with others so they can know Him. The greatest thing we can do for our friends is to tell them about Jesus!

Definitions

Webster's definition of love: A strong affection for another arising out of kinship.

Biblical definition of love: brotherly affection, doing good things for others.

Discussion Questions

1. Why do we celebrate Christmas?
2. Why did Mary and Joseph go to Bethlehem?
3. Why did they stay in a stable?
4. How did the shepherds know Jesus was born?



THE FOUR

The Four is the Gospel explained in four simple truths

- God loves you
- Sin separates you
- Jesus rescues you
- Will you trust in Jesus?

Bible Story Video

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