

LESSON 2—*The Birth of Jesus*

Questions and Answers—Student Guide

Lesson goal: The goal of this lesson is to answer the question, “Despite all of the manmade traditions surrounding Christmas, what does the Bible say about what actually happened the night Jesus was born?”

Pre-Lesson Preparation

Read Matthew 1:18-24 and Luke 2:1-20.

Think

Think about this: What are some of the traditions and customs that are celebrated surround Christmas? How many of those are based on fact, and how many are traditions created by man? What actually happened the night that Jesus was born, and what does it mean for us?

Evaluate

1. Who are the characters in this story?
2. What are the objects in this story?
3. Where did this story happen?
4. When did this story happen?
5. What is the problem?
6. What events occurred in this story?
7. Is the problem solved?

Learn

8. What is the main theme of this lesson?
9. What sin or sins does this lesson teach you to confess?
10. Where do you see the love of God in this lesson?
11. What does God teach you to do in this lesson?

Lead

12. What would be a good situation in which to share this message?

Additional questions

13. Talk about some of the traditions or practices surrounding Christmas. What is myth or traditions, and what is reality?
14. Who is Jesus? What does the Bible say about him being true man yet true God?
15. Look at the genealogy of Jesus—his family tree. What stands out to you?

Lesson wrap-up

16. Despite all of the manmade traditions surrounding Christmas, what does the Bible say about what actually happened the night Jesus was born?