



Advent Resource

Grace Church has many resources on our Advent page (grace.sc/advent) for individuals and families to celebrate this Advent season. We realize explaining the narrative of Jesus' birth and the hope and joy this story brings can be challenging. To simplify this experience, we have created a 4-week Advent guide for you to work through with your family! Below are four Advent lessons, one for each week of Advent, with the last intended for Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Each lesson corresponds to an ornament, which you can cut out and paste to the paper tree as you walk through the lessons. There is also a Key Point page to color and use throughout the lessons to reflect on the ultimate reason for this season.

Key Point: God sent his son, Jesus, to die for our sins.

WEEK 1: The Angel's Announcements to Mary and Joseph

Image: Mary, Joseph, and Angel

Passage: Luke 1:26–38, Matthew 1:18–25

God sends an angel to tell Mary that God has chosen her to give birth to a son named Jesus, who will be called the Son of the Most High, the Son of God. Mary worships God after seeing the angel. An angel also appears to Joseph. The angel tells him that Mary will have a son, named Jesus, who will save people from their sins.

WEEK 2: The Birth of Jesus in Bethlehem

Image: Jesus in Manger

Passage: Luke 2:1–7

The Roman emperor wants to count the people in his empire. Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem from Nazareth. When they get there, it is time for Jesus to be born. There is no place for them to stay, so when Mary gives birth to Jesus, she puts him in a manger.

WEEK 3: Angels and Shepherds in the Field

Image: Shepherds and Sheep

Passage: Luke 2:8–20

There are shepherds in a field nearby, guarding their sheep. An angel appears to them, announcing that the Lord, Jesus, has been born in Bethlehem! Other angels join and praise God! The shepherds say to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem to see the Lord." They find him lying in a manger.

WEEK 4: Wise Men and the Star

Image: Wise Men and Star

Passage: Matthew 2:1–12

The wise men arrive in Jerusalem and ask, "Where is the newborn king?" Herod sends them to Bethlehem to find Jesus. The wise men see a star that leads them to Jesus and are filled with joy! When they see Jesus, they bow down and worship him.

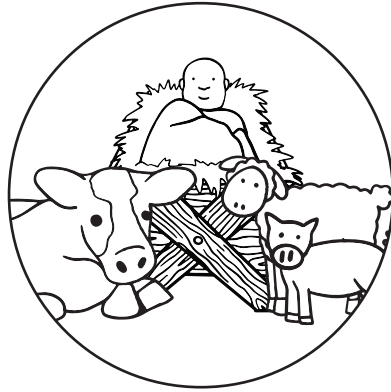
Ornaments

Color each week's ornament, then cut and paste onto the Christmas tree.

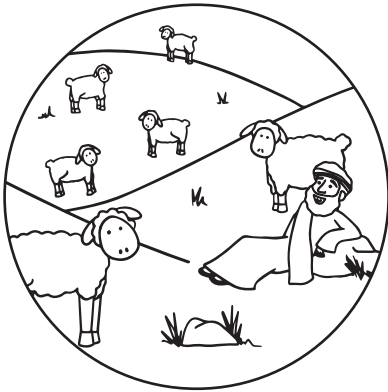
WEEK 1



WEEK 2

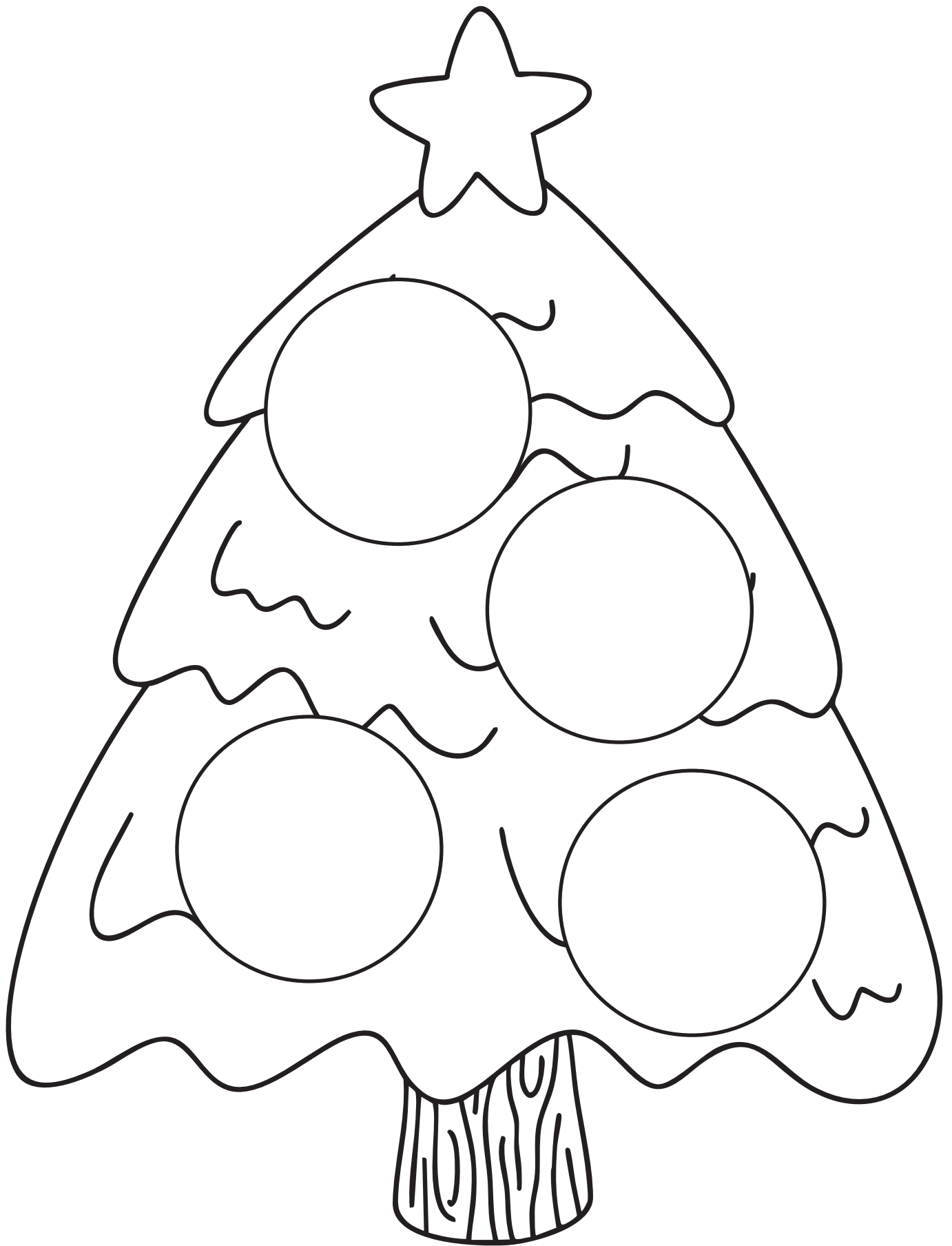


WEEK 3



WEEK 4



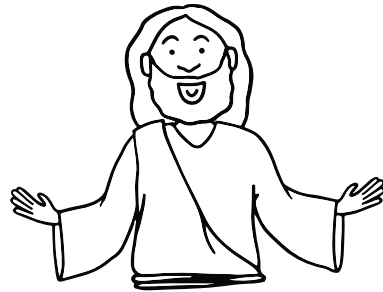


KEY POINT

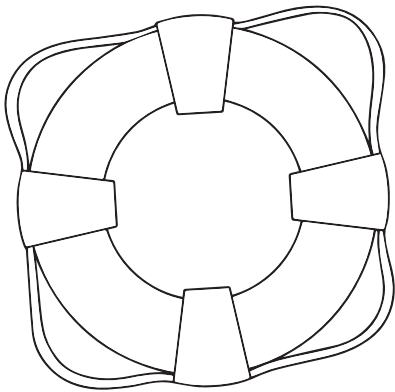
God



sent his Son,
Jesus,



to rescue us



from our sin.

