

FAMILY
ADVENT
CARDS

DECEMBER 1-25

Celebrate Advent with BrookwoodKiDs!

As Christmas approaches, include these cards in your family devotion time.

They can be used as a verse flipbook or decorations by removing the cards from the ring and hanging them in your home.

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SUPPLIES
YOU MAY
NEED



**A few activities require supplies.
You may want to plan and get:**

Toilet paper rolls

Construction paper

Markers

Supplies to bake cookies

1

*For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given,
and the government will be on His shoulders.
And He will be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

Isaiah 9:6 (NIV)

The Christmas season is when we celebrate that Jesus came to the Earth to save us from our sins!

Jesus has many names:
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

During your family time today, share which name of Jesus is your favorite and why.



*In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy,
God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town
in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to
a man named Joseph, a descendant of David.*

The virgin's name was Mary.

Luke 1:26-27 (NIV)

The story of Jesus' birth starts with the angel Gabriel visiting Mary. It must have been scary for Mary to see the angel for the first time, but she had faith in God and listened to what He said.

How do we hear what God has to say to us? The best way we can hear God speak is through His Word. After you read today's verse, pray together.

Dear God,
We thank you for giving us Your Word.
Help us listen when You speak to us. Amen.

3

*But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid,
Mary; you have found favor with God.”*

Luke 1:30 (NIV)

Even when Mary felt a little afraid, the angel comforted her. God was pleased with Mary because she obeyed Him and followed His Word.

When we feel afraid, we can trust God.
He honors us when we obey Him.

Is there something that makes you feel afraid?
Share that as a family and pray together.

Dear God,
Sometimes I feel afraid. Help me always
trust in You and obey Your Word. Amen.



4

*You will conceive and give birth to a son,
and you are to call him Jesus.*

Luke 1:31 (NIV)

The angel gave Mary some surprising news. Even though she was so young and wasn't married yet, she would be a mom! Her Son would be Jesus. Mary was about to be a big part of God's plan for the world.

When we obey and follow God, we get to be a part of His plan. Pray together today.

Dear God,

Thank you for always taking care of me. I know You have a plan for my life, and I want to follow You. Guide us as we follow You. Amen.



He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.

Luke 1:32 (NIV)

God is so great and mighty! Sometimes, we get so busy asking God for things that we forget to praise Him for all the great things He does.

Praise God as a family today. Put on your favorite worship music. Share one thing God has done for your family this week and pray together, thanking Him for it!

6

"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered.

"May your word to me be fulfilled."

Then the angel left her.

Luke 1:38 (NIV)

Mary obeyed what God asked her to do. You can obey God by obeying your parents and doing what they ask without complaining. Obeying God and obeying your parents can seem hard when it's something big! But because Mary obeyed God, she was able to be a part of His big plan.

As a family, talk about what it looks like to be more obedient to God. Pray together.

Dear God,
I want to serve You with my time, money
and the gifts You've given me. Please show
me how I can obey You more today. Amen.

7



In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.

Luke 2:1 (NIV)

There was a census when the time came for Jesus to be born. A census is when the government goes to people's homes to count how many people live there.

Joseph and Mary would have to make a difficult journey to go to their hometown for the census.

But God had a plan!

Dear God,

Thank you for always having our best interests in mind, even when things seem too hard to handle. We trust You. Amen.

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8

And everyone went to their own town to register.

Luke 2:3 (NIV)

The census is an important part of the Christmas story because Joseph and Mary had to register in their hometown. Their hometown was Bethlehem, the city of David.

As a family, talk about your hometown.
What are your favorite things about that place?



9

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.

Luke 2:4-5 (NIV)

In the Old Testament, God promised that Jesus would come from the line of Abraham, which was also the line of David. The fact that Joseph was born in the city of David proved that Jesus would come from the line of David, too. And just a few days later, Jesus was born there!

Dear God,
Thank you for keeping your promise to Abraham and David and for keeping your promises to us. We love you. Amen.

10

While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son...
Luke 2:6-7 (NIV)

Jesus is born! The entire reason for Christmas is the Savior of the world—a tiny baby.

Jesus came to Earth as a baby.
He was a child, just like you!

As a family, talk about how Mary must have felt to have a baby in an unfamiliar place. God was taking care of her the whole time. God takes care of us, too!

Share some ways that God has taken care of your family.



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...She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

Luke 2:7 (NIV)

Jesus came as a baby, and there was no royal ceremony to celebrate His birth. His crib was just a manger used to feed animals!

Save some toilet paper rolls to make a manger craft together.

Check our social media for ideas:
BrookwoodKiDs on Facebook and
@brookwoodkids on Instagram.



12

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.

Luke 2:8 (NIV)

Nearby shepherds were working.
They had no idea they were about to
become part of the Christmas story!

We don't know what God will do in our lives,
but He has plans for us, just like He had big
plans for the shepherds that night.

As a family, talk about how God has been there for
you, and share something He's done to help you.

Example: Maybe God has come through for
you in a challenging financial time or helped
you when you or a loved one were sick.

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An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

Luke 2:9 (NIV)

Suddenly, an angel appeared in the sky!
Imagine if you were out camping and saw a
huge angel in the sky, brighter than any star.

They were terrified! But the angel had
an important message to share.

When you feel afraid, who do you turn to?

Dear God,
Sometimes I feel afraid, but I know You're with me.
Please help me trust you and not be afraid. Amen.



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*But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid.
I bring you good news that will
cause great joy for all the people.*

Luke 2:10 (NIV)

The angel had a message, and it was good news!
The news would bring joy to everyone who heard it.

What good news have you heard lately? Go around
your family circle and share what good news is going
on in your lives —no matter how big or small.

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*Today in the town of David a Savior has been
born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord.*

Luke 2:11 (NIV)

The good news is that Jesus has been born!
And the shepherds were the first ones to hear it!

God kept His promise and gave
his people a Messiah, a Savior.

If an angel gave you this good news,
what face would you make?

Go around your family circle and make your joyful
face. Tell each other why you would feel that way.

16



This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

Luke 2:12 (NIV)

The shepherds were so excited. They wanted to see Jesus! The angel told them where to find Him.

Ask your children: Where can we find Jesus today? Is He still a baby wrapped in clothes and lying in a manger? (Let them answer.)

No. Jesus is all around us. He speaks to us through the Holy Spirit, Who we can hear when we pray. He also speaks to us through God's Word!



17

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest Heaven, and on Earth peace to those on whom His favor rests.”

Luke 2:13–14 (NIV)

God is worthy of our worship. It's so important to tell God how great He is. How can you tell God how great He is? (Let them answer.)

We can sing, dance, draw, write, pray and share Him with others! Choose one way to tell God how amazing He is tonight. You can use our Spotify for Christmas worship, too!



18

*So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph,
and the baby, who was lying in the manger.
When they had seen Him, they spread the word
concerning what had been told them about this child.*

Luke 2:16-17 (NIV)

The shepherds found the baby, and they immediately went to tell everyone they knew about Jesus!

A lot of people around us don't know Jesus.

As a family, talk about someone you know who would benefit from hearing about Jesus. Make a card for them and give it to them this week!

Pray for that person together today!



19

The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

Luke 2:20 (NIV)

The shepherds were amazed at the birth of Jesus and praised God for it.

God did exactly what He said He would do and will do exactly what He promises in our lives, too.

As a family, ask your children if anything is making them worry or feel anxious. Listen with an open heart.

As your children share, pray for them.
Ask God to help them have faith that God will do what He says He will do.

Remind them God always keeps His promises.



20

*After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in
Judea, during the time of King Herod,
Magi from the east came to Jerusalem.*

Matthew 2:1 (NIV)

The Magi were a group of kings from far away, but they wanted to see the Jesus they had heard so much about.

Many people haven't heard about Jesus. Brookwood helps missionaries around the world share the Good News of Jesus in other countries so that people can know Him.

Visit **brookwoodchurch.org/communitypartners**
and choose a mission partner to pray for tonight.

Dear God,
Thank you for our mission partner _____.
Please be with them during this holiday season
and help them to have everything they need
to serve the people around them well. Amen.

21

When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.

Matthew 2:10 (NIV)

When it gets dark, wrap up in blankets
and find a place to sit outside.

As you gaze at the stars, think of the biggest
stars you've ever seen and imagine what the
Magi must have felt when they saw them.

Praise God for His beautiful creation. He knows the
name of every star, and He knows your name, too.

22

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him...

Matthew 2:11 (NIV)

Jesus is worthy of our worship.

Worship together as a family tonight.
Check out the Christmas worship on our Spotify!



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...Then they opened their treasures and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11 (NIV)

God gives us good gifts. As a family, think of things that God has given you. Then, think of someone around you who might need help or a little love this Christmas season. Come up with a plan to show Jesus to them this week!

Example: You can bake cookies for a loved one or cook a meal for someone grieving this year.

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*For God so loved the world that He gave
His one and only Son, that whoever believes
in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

John 3:16 (NIV)

Today, use candles, flashlights or even your
phone to light up a dark room together.
Sing *Silent Night* as a family and focus on the
peace God gave our world through His Son!

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Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15 (NIV)

Merry Christmas Brookwood Families!

Today, we thank God for the gift of Jesus,
His one and only Son.

Pray together today:

Dear God,
Thank You for the true meaning of Christmas—Jesus.
We praise You for giving Your Son to the world to
save us from our sins. Amen.