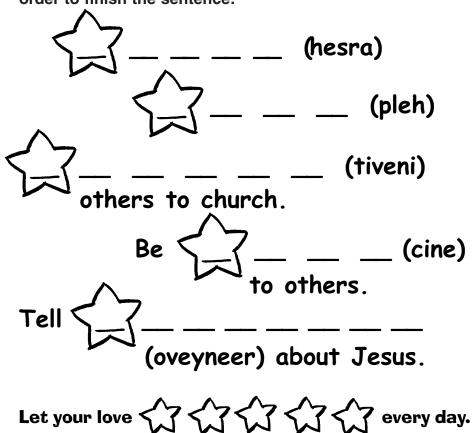
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We can be little lights for Jesus by sharing his love.

Unscramble the words to find five ways we can share Jesus' love. Write the first letter of each unscrambled word inside the star. Then write the letters in the stars in order to finish the sentence.





Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to teach us about your love.

Amen

# This week

Light a candle at dinner every evening. Have everyone name one way they can share Jesus' love tomorrow.



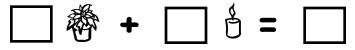
# gather

Welcome to worship.

The season of Christmas lasts for \_\_\_\_\_ days.

To find the answer, count the and the , and put the numbers in the boxes at the bottom. Add the two numbers. Write your answer in the blank.





# hear & celebrate

### In the beginning...

John 1:[1-9] 10-18

This is John's version of the Christmas story. Jesus' birth is God's most wonderful gift for all of God's creation, for all of God's children—us! Because Jesus was born as a little baby, and lived with us on earth, we know more about God and can tell others.



Draw baby Jesus in this picture, then draw *you* with baby Jesus.



What did Jesus show us about God? Search the illustration for the hearts, stars, and triangles that have letters in them. Each shape's letters make a word that tells us something about what God is like. Unscramble the letters from each shape and discover three things that God is.

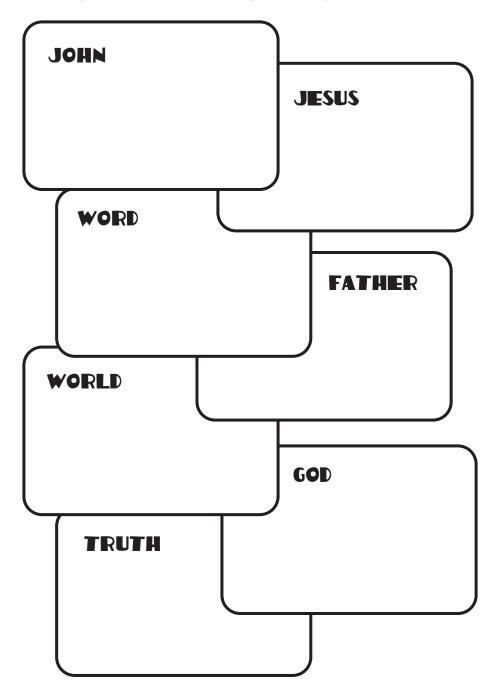
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Try doing something special on each of the 12 days of Christmas. Keep it simple and fun.

# Listening for the Words

Jesus was called the Word. During today's Bible readings and sermon, listen for these special words and make a tally each time you hear them used.







- Today is the **second** Sunday after **Christmas**.
- Jesus is sometimes referred to as the Word.
- Jesus shared God's word of love with others.

# It's All Relative!

Today's Bible story is about John the Baptist talking about Jesus. In the first space, draw a picture of John and Jesus. Who is one of your cousins? In the second space, draw a picture of you and your cousin. (If you don't have a cousin, draw a picture of a kid who is like family to you.)

Jehn and Jesus

MY Cousin and Me

Complete this crossword puzzle using the clues below. Once the puzzle is complete, fill in the missing words from the memory verse using the words from the crossword.



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#### DOWN

- 2. Opposite of empty
- 3. Another name for skin or meat
- 5. You and me
- 6. The word for God loving us no matter what; also a girl's name

- 1. Opposite of falsity
- 3. Another name for dad
- 4. Boy version of daughter
- 5. Certain letters put together create this

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| 3 down                     |            | 4 down |                  | 6 across        |     |
|                            | " –John 1: | 14     |                  |                 |     |
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#### What's in a Name?

In today's lesson, Jesus is called the Word. The Bible uses lots of names for Jesus. Make a list of names for Jesus. Then think about names people call you. Leader? Friend? Artist? Athlete? List those names below, too.

| NAMES FOR JESUS | NAMES FOR ME |
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Today's lesson is about John the Baptist and Jesus. Did you know they were cousins? Write in the relationship between these other biblical characters.

| CAIN AND ABEL:     | (GENESIS 4:2)  |
|--------------------|----------------|
| MARY AND MARTHA:   | (LUKE 10:38-42 |
| ISAAC AND REBEKAH: | (GENESIS 24)   |
| JAMES AND JOHN     | (LUKE 5:9-11)  |

Look around your worship space.

### Can you find all of these people?

- ☐ Someone wearing blue
- ☐ Someone holding a baby
- ☐ Someone with glasses
- ☐ Someone who is smiling
- ☐ Someone with white hair
- ☐ Someone who is wearing a sweater
- ☐ Someone who is reading the Bible







Christmas 2

- Today is the **second Sunday** after **Christmas**.
- Jesus is sometimes called the Word.
- Jesus shared God's word of love with others!

In today's lesson, Jesus is called the Word. Trace the word below. What's the word?





John told the people, "This is Jesus, the man I've been talking about! And God sent Jesus to teach us—hooray!"

In today's lesson he's called the Word. Below are different names for Jesus—some are right and some are wrong.

Circle the ones that you've heard or that you know from the Bible.

Jesus is called a lot of different names in the Bible.

