



FOCUS ON THE FAMILY
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 DISCUSSION GUIDE



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The December 2021 issue of *Focus on the Family Clubhouse Jr.* celebrates the reason for the Christmas season—Jesus!

Use Advent (and the special calendar) to prepare your family's hearts as you celebrate the holiday.

“A child will be born to us. A son will be given to us. He will rule over us. And he will be called Wonderful Adviser and Mighty God. He will also be called Father Who Lives Forever and Prince Who Brings Peace.” —Isaiah 9:6

Read through the magazine with your child, and answer these questions as a family.

The New King (pp. 6-9)



- 1 Who put the star in the sky for the wise men to follow? What did the star mean?
- 2 Why wasn't King Herod excited to hear about Jesus the child King?
- 3 Would you rather receive a present or give a present? Why?

Unto Us a Child Is Born (pp. 12-13)



The church has celebrated the Advent season for centuries. Advent comes from the Latin word *adventus* which means “arrival.” In the 1800s, German families counted down the days until Christmas by putting chalk marks on walls or doors. Then Gerhard Lang created paper Advent calendars. Today, Advent calendars come in all shapes and sizes to celebrate Jesus' birthday.

- 1 Memorize Matthew 1:21 as a family: “You shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins” (ESV).
- 2 Why do you think it's important to get ready for Jesus' arrival?

Making Room for Christmas (pp. 18-21)

- 1 What is your favorite Christmas tradition?
- 2 What are two ways you can spread the love of Jesus at Christmas?
- 3 Have you ever felt grumpy during the holidays? Why did you feel that way? How can you work on being cheerful instead?
- 4 Make a Christmas card and give it to a neighbor to spread holiday cheer!



Family Prayer
 Dear Jesus, thank You for coming to Earth. Help us remember You are the real reason we celebrate Christmas. Amen.