

THIS Week...

This week we're talking about the angels telling the shepherds about the birth of Jesus.

- TODAY'S BIBLE VERSES: Luke 2:8-14, John 3:16
- EXEY WORDS: angel, shepherds, peace, joy
- BEFORE today's lesson:
 - Make sure you have all the materials you need for the 'Welcome Zone' and 'Fun Zone' activities.
 - Gather together all the required ingredients for 'Grub Zone'.
 - Have enough Kidzone magazines for every child!
 - Print off the 'Beyond the Zone' card.

When preparing your program, consider each of the 'zones' and how they will best work in your context.

You may like to mix up the order in which you do the 'zones'. You will, however, need to remember the 'Welcome Zone' need to start the session, the 'Zone In' section needs to follow the 'God Zone', and the 'Beyond the Zone' happens at home.





- PLAY the 'Would you Rather' game with your class.

 Keep a tally of how many children choose each option to see which are the most popular
- DOOK at the comic on pages 4 and 5 together.



MAKE angel bread, using angel shapes cut from white bread using an angel cookie cutter, butter and sprinkles.





- MAKE Oliver's wrapping paper on page 11.
- READ about the Kmart Wishing Tree Appeal on page 12.



- READ Luke 2:8-14 from a children's Bible or a Bible story book.
- READ On the night Jesus was born, something amazing happened. Out in the fields, some shepherds were watching their sheep, just like they did every night. But this night was different suddenly, the sky lit up with a bright light, and an angel appeared! The angel said, "Oon't be afraid! I have good news that will bring great joy to everyone. Today in Bethlehem, a Saviour has been born to you. He is Christ

the Lord!" (Verses 8-11). Then, even more angels filled the sky and sang: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests" (Verse 14). The angels were celebrating because Jesus had been born. When they said, "Peace on earth," they were telling us that Jesus came to bring peace — peace between us and God, peace in our hearts, and peace with others. (From The Salvation Army Family Advent Devotional Guide).



- CHAT about how the shepherds would have felt seeing all those angels.

 How can we tell and show people about God's love? You could talk about toy and food collections in your corps and community and helping people in need.
- PRAY: Dear Lord, thank you for bringing peace to Earth. When we feel alone and afraid, please remind us that you are with us. Help us to share your peace with others. Amen (From The Salvation Army Family Advent Devotional Guide).

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- (4) GIVE OUT the 'Beyond the Zone' cards and read through the activities.



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We'd love to see some photos of your kids' church members enjoying the activities to include in the *Kidzone* magazine!

Email a picture of your group to kidzone@salvationarmy.org.au
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