

Explore It FOR ME

Here are some ideas and activities you could do on your own

CHRISTMAS
SESSION 02

HOW CAN I SHARE JOY WITH MY FAMILY THIS CHRISTMAS?

 **Matthew 1:18-25 Joseph accepts Jesus as his son**



Build

Mary and Joseph went on a long journey to Bethlehem. As we begin the countdown to Christmas, use some building blocks or junk modelling to build a 'road to Bethlehem'. Each day move Mary and Joseph a little closer to Bethlehem. As they travel, each day getting closer to the birth of Jesus, think what his birth meant to them and what it means for us.



Share

Use the Find Your Elf Name sheet. www.blessedbeyondadoubt.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/Christmas-Party-Games-for-Teens1.pdf. Go round your family and find out what their elf names would be. Can you draw a picture of everyone in your family dressed as a Christmas elf?!



Pray

Find a special time to light the second candle on your Advent wreath. What does it stand for? Can you write a prayer to share with your family as you light the candle?



Investigate

Ask your family what Christmas treats they would like to eat this Christmas and then look up a recipe and make an ingredients list.



Write

Write down a list of the names of some of the people who you have the most fun with! See if you can spend some time with them over the Christmas holidays, in person or virtually.



Sing

Teach your family a new song - one that is full of joy. Perhaps you could write a song of joy yourself. Sing and dance together!



Cook

Make a pizza and decorate it with a face that looks like your dad, grandad, or another important father figure in your life. While the pizza is cooking you could say a pray thanking God for fathers everywhere - especially for yours.



Make

Joseph was a carpenter. Can you make something out of wood? Perhaps you could make a Christmas gift for someone?



Memorise

'She will give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins' (Matthew 1:21 NCV).

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