

# Explore It FOR ME

CHRISTMAS  
SESSION 04

## THE JOY OF GIVING

 **Matthew 2:1-12 The Wise Men visit Jesus**

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



### Play

Use a Nativity set, or collect toys and props, to help you tell the Christmas story. As you play and retell the Christmas story, think about your friends at school who may not have heard the good news Christmas story you have. Pray for the courage to share the joy of knowing Jesus.



### Share

We don't just have to give physical gifts at Christmas. What are the things you can do in your home, school, community to help others? Make a list of things you can 'gift' to others this Christmas and the actions you could take.



### Pray

Find a special time to light the fourth 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?



### Create

Create a maze puzzle of the wise men at one end and baby Jesus at the other.



### Make

Make a hand-made Christmas gift for someone.

For example, paint the outside of glass jars with a mixture of half glue and water. Cover the jars with squares of tissue paper. Put a tea light inside. Or make three and fill with items symbolising the gifts from the wise men: yellow, white and red sweets; gold, white and red tinsel; yellow, white and red Lego pieces.



### Draw

Draw a picture of a gift you would have given to the baby Jesus.



### Memorise

**'When the wise men saw the star, they were filled with joy.'** (Matthew 2:10 ICB)

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