

Lesson N.T. Christmas Part 1
Donkey to Bethlehem – No Room at the Inn

Bible Story: Jesus was sent to earth by God and he was born in a stable. His bed was a manger box of hay. Jesus is God's only son.

My Bible, Interactive 18 Page A3 or A4 Prop Book
<http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/Teacher%20Props.htm>

My Bible Prop Book

The Bible said God would send his son to earth.

<http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/Memory%20Cards/God%20So%20Loved%20The%20World.pdf>

Verse

God sent His one and only Son.

1 John chapter 4 verse 9

Story

Donkey to Bethlehem, – No Room at the Inn.

Born in a stable, slept in a manger box bed of hay.

*The First Christmas Night. By Jill Kemp. web.

<http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/Christmas%20Booklets/The%20First%20Christmas%20Night%20Big%20Book.pdf>

Talk about each picture.

Explain that the Inn keeper had a small hotel called an Inn, where people could pay money to sleep for a night.

Act out story:

Dolls for Mary & Joseph (or children)

Use a toy donkey or a donkey head on a stick.

Mary to walk beside and Joseph to lead (or doll rides) on.

Talk about how far and that Mary's baby would be born very soon.

*Mary and Joseph both seeing angels!

*Big Star in the sky - the biggest star!

*Have several cardboard Doors (A4 size)

*Child knocks.

*Open door to see innkeeper behind – “No room.”

<http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/Christmas%20Graphics/Inn%20Door.jpg>

**Repeat

(Download pictures from Books on website.)

http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/christmas_download.htm

When Mary's baby was nearly coming, they found a place to stay in a stable where animals sleep.

*That night Baby Jesus was born.

*There was no baby's bed, so Joseph made him a bed in a box of hay called a manger.

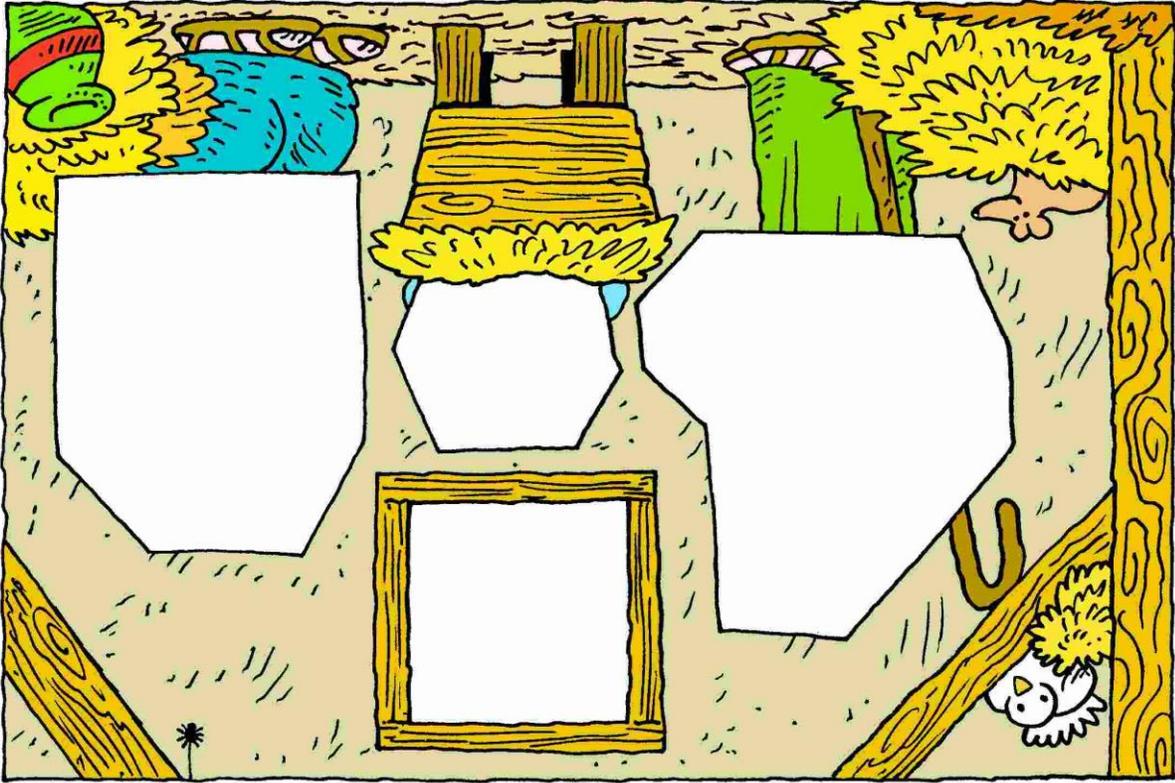
* We sing a song call away in a Manger.

No. 6, on Christmas for kids' CD <http://apple.co/D2Fpd>

Puppet

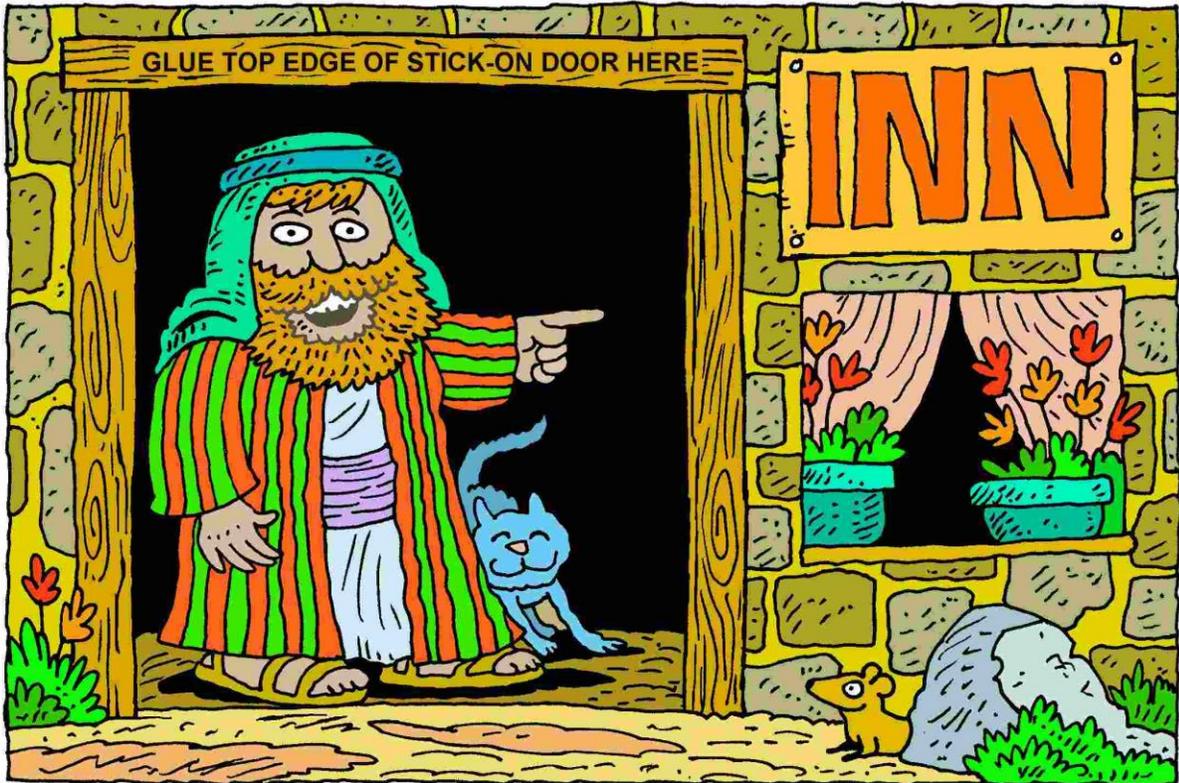
Says Child's Name “Jesus Loves You.”

Activity:



FOLD

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Inn one one side – The door sticks to top of frame and lifts up to reveal Inn Keeper – Around the back to the stable.

Other side has Stable with pictures to stick on.

Prayer

Thank God that Jesus loves us so much that he sent his son Jesus to earth. We remember Jesus birthday at Christmas time.

Props: Christmas For Kids CD, Manger, Baby, door, donkey, Donkey's Special Night book, Activities and booklets,

<http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/Christmas%20Booklets/Donkey's%20Special%20Night%20Big%20Book.pdf>

Teacher will use:

Christmas For Kids CD. <http://apple.co/D2Fpd>

- 1 . Come on Ring Those Bells
4. Little Donkey
5. Knockity, Knock
6. Away in a Manger

Teacher Preparation: Learn memory verse.

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1 John chapter 4 verse 9

<http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/Memory%20Cards/God%20So%20Loved%20The%20World.pdf>

Pray for each *child*, that God will help them to remember that God made them and loves them. Pray for visiting families.

Please ensure:

*New people fill out enrolment form.

*The Roll is ticked

* New people get CD pack

Children take home: Book: "Donkey's Special Night."

<http://www.lambsongs.co.nz/Christmas%20Booklets/Donkey's%20Special%20Night%20Col.pdf>

Thanks to all our awesome helpers!

1. Come on ring those bells

<http://apple.co/D2Fpd>

Everybody likes to Take a holiday

Everybody likes to take a rest

Spending time together

With the family

Sharing lots of Love and happiness

Chorus: ring bells

Come on ring those bells

Light the Christmas tree

Jesus is the King

Born for you and me

Come on ring those bells

Everybody say

Jesus, we remember Its your birthday.

Celebrations come

Because of something good,

Celebrations we like to recall –

Mary had a baby born in Bethlehem

The Greatest celebration of them all!

Chorus: ring bells
Come on ring those bells
Light the Christmas tree'
Jesus is the King
Born for you and me.
Come on ring those bells,
Everybody say
"Jesus, we remember it's your birthday."

4. Little Donkey (Christmas For Kids)

Jill Kemp

Tune : Five Little Ducks

<http://apple.co/D2Fpd>

Little donkey went one day
'ride' donkey

Along the road and far away
Mary was riding on his back
Clip clop clip along the track

Clip clop clip clop Donkey go
Bethlehem is far I know
hand over eyes

Mary was riding on his back
Clip clop clip along the track

In the stable Donkey stays
house over head
'Thank you, Donkey,' Joseph says
pat head

Baby's sleeping in the hay
sleep

Baby Jesus - born today
rock baby (whisper)

5. Knockity Knock

By Jill Kemp

Melody: Mulberry Bush

<http://apple.co/D2Fpd>

Knockity, knock, knock
knock

Knock, knock, knock
Have you room for us to stay
No, no, no we're far too full
We have no room - just go away
wave away

Knockity, knock, knock,
knock

Knock, knock, knock
Can we have a place to sleep
Yes, yes, yes please come right in
beckon in

Our barn is warm
We'll move the sheep

Knockity, knock, knock,
Knock, knock, knock
Have you a baby born today
Angels sang the happy news

conduct
Of Jesus in a bed of hay
rock baby

If Jesus comes knocking on my heart
knock on heart
I'll let him in come in right away
beckon in
I keep him living in my life
I'll make room for him to stay

6. Away in A Manger - For Today

Keeping as close to traditional with words today's child can understand.

Words by Jill Kemp

<http://apple.co/D2Fpd>

Away in - a manger - in a bed made of hay
rock baby

God's Son ba - by Jesus
point sky

Born this Christ - mas day
sleeping

A star in - the night sky - so big and so bright
diamond above head

Twinkles - so brightly
twinkle fingers high

This first Christmas night
hands under head sleeping

The cows mooing softly the baby awakes
rock baby

God's Son ba -by Jesus

No crying - He makes
I love you - Lord Jesus
hand on heart
Look down from - on high
shade eyes
Keep these - little children
hug self
Safe all - their lives

Be near me - Lord Jesus - I ask you to stay
Close by me - for ever
And love me - I pray
praying hands
Bless all the - dear children
pray blessing over children
In your lov - ing care
And take them - to heaven
point up
To live with - you there
hug self

1. Screw opposing curtain EYES into Scotia or beams in ceiling.
2. Tie clear fishing line tightly between the eyes.
3. Loop a string OVER the fishing line, attaching star so it can run freely along line.
4. Bring star to end the Wise Men start from.
5. Have strong dark reel of cotton in a small jar (keeps from rolling everywhere.)
6. Thread cotton THROUGH EYE the other end from star.
7. Run thread along fishing line to star & tie on the loop.
8. Pull cotton slowly from opposite end.
9. Star can be 'run back' along line for a replay.
10. Shining a torch on star adds effect - the children are mesmerized!