

CHRISTMAS MORNING - FAMILY WORSHIP JESUS CAME, SO THAT...

This is a short family worship experience to be done with your family on Christmas morning, a time of worship and thinking on the reason for the day you celebrate. Our series for the Advent Season has been asking about the reason and purpose for Christmas. Why do we have this story, why a virgin birth, a humble birth, a manger-throne. Why shepherds, wise men, and angels? For this series we have been finding our answers to this question from Jesus Himself. Multiple times during His ministry Jesus made statements that explained the purpose for His coming. As a family, on Christmas morning, you will sing a few songs, watch (or read) the Christmas story, and then hear Jesus answer the question as to why He came. The only things you will need are a few Bibles, and a device or TV for the worship experience.

This worship will also be posted on the Genesis blog and on Koinonia on Christmas morning. These posts will include Youtube versions of the songs and the Christmas story video from the *Jesus Storybook Bible* so you can easily access these from a phone, device, or even on your TV.

Opening song - *Joy to the World*

https://youtu.be/pZRV_EZ_3sw

Watch the Christmas story from the *Jesus Storybook Bible* together, or read Matthew 1:18-25. If you watch the video, look up and read Matthew 1:20-21 together.

https://youtu.be/E2y2FJqsv_8

Ask your family this question - Why was Jesus born? Why did He come into the world? Share answers together.

Song - *O Come All Ye Faithful*

https://youtu.be/NQi_sXQBrFE

Have different members of your family look up the following verses. Explain that in each of these passages Jesus explains the purpose and meaning for his coming. Tell your family that after each passage you will think about it together, and complete this statement from each text.

*Jesus came, so that

Then talk about what this means for us and why the celebration of Christmas reminds us of all that Jesus came to do.

John 12:27-28

*Jesus came, so that

Matthew 5:17-18

*Jesus came, so that

Luke 4:43-44

*Jesus came, so that

John 17:4

*Jesus came, so that

John 18:37

*Jesus came, so that

Mark 10:45

*Jesus came, so that

Luke 19:10

*Jesus came, so that

John 9:39

*Jesus came, so that

John 10:9-10

*Jesus came, so that

Spend a couple minutes giving thanks for this list, thanking Jesus for His coming and praising God for saving you and giving you life.

Song - *O Holy Night*

https://youtu.be/3_dh9Uil_LY

Close with prayer.