



December 20, 2020  
Preschool Sunday School  
At-Home Lesson

### Advent Week 4: *Love*

Outside of Bethlehem, shepherds watched their sheep on the hills. Suddenly, an angel appeared. The shepherds looked up at the bright night sky. “Don’t be afraid,” the angel said. “I bring wonderful news. The child God promised was born tonight.” The shepherds listened in amazement. The twinkling stars seemed to echo each of the angel’s words. The angel continued, “Go to Bethlehem! You will find the child lying in a bed of hay!” Suddenly, many angels filled the heavens. They sang together, “Glory to God in the highest. And Peace to all people on earth. “The angel said the child was born tonight!” “But what about the sheep?” another shepherd asked. “Let the angels watch them!” the youngest shepherd said. The shepherds happily hurried into Bethlehem.

The angel was right. The shepherds found the baby, Jesus, asleep on a bed of hay. They told Mary and Joseph all the angel had said. “the angel said the baby is the Messiah – the promised one. He is the one we have waited for,” they explained. “But this is a stable. Would God be born here among the animals?” Mary smiled she knew it didn’t matter where Jesus was born as long as he was surrounded by love. Jesus was Immanuel—God with us. The light of God has entered the world and the world would never be the same.

Later the shepherds returned to their sheep, praising God for all they had seen and heard.

### Scripture: Luke 2:13

Then a huge army of angels from heaven joined the first angel, and they were all praising God, saying, “Praise God in heaven, and on earth let there be peace to the people who please him.”

### The Candle of renewed Love:

Today we light the Candle of Love. The birth of Jesus reminds us that love is very important. God loves each of us and Jesus teaches us to love one another. Christmas is a time to let people know they are loved.

How do you show love?

How does it make you feel when someone love you?

Dear God,  
Thank you for the love you give us  
each day. Help us to show love to  
others. Jesus teaches us about love,  
and he taught us to love and respect  
others. We pray your love will  
spread around the world and all  
people will feel your love at  
Christmas time!  
Amen