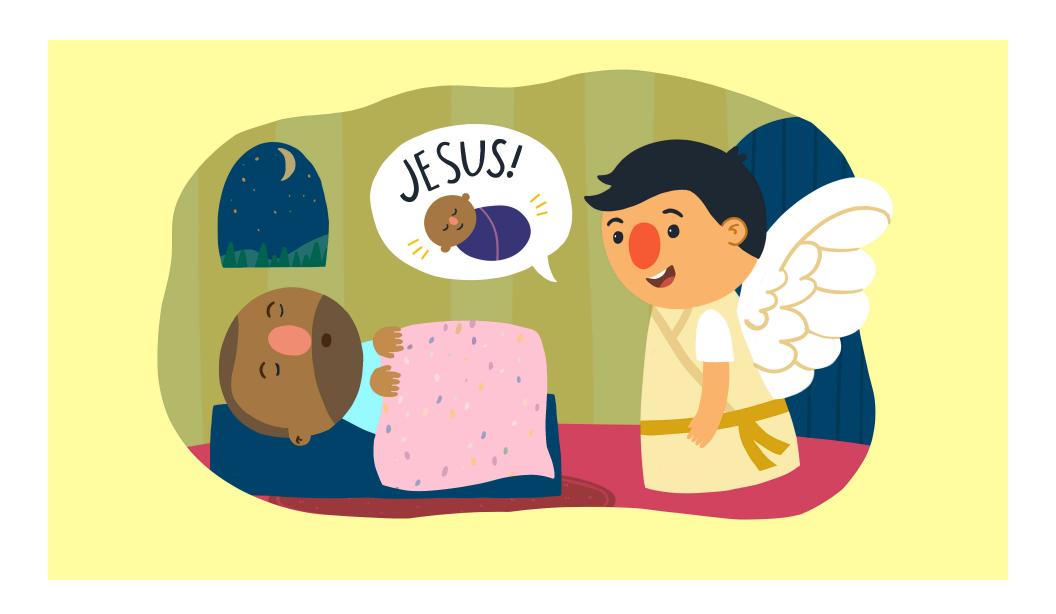


An Angel Appears to Joseph Matthew 1:18-25

Before Joseph and Mary were married, God sent an angel to tell Mary she was going to have a baby. And not just any baby, but God's very own Son.

Does this sound like good news or bad news to you? (Allow responses)



When Joseph heard what the angel told Mary, he was scared because this was not what he had planned.

Let me see you pretend to sleep. (Everyone will pretend to sleep)

While Joseph was sleeping, God sent an angel to talk to him in a dream. The angel told Joseph not to be afraid to get married to Mary, and the angel said to name the baby Jesus.

On the count of three, let me hear you shout, "Jesus!" One, two, three! (Everyone will shout, "Jesus!")



When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel had told him, and he took Mary home as his wife.

Joseph had a good plan for his life, but God had the best plan! God has a plan for you, too!

Let me hear you say this after me: (Pause to allow kids to repeat)

God Has (both hands point up)
A Plan (make book with hands)