



## Family Battle Plan

A discipleship pathway to assist parents in engaging their children on their journey of faith

### **Week 3: Jesus**

#### Younger Preschool

##### **Theme Verse**

*“For a child will be born for us, a son will be given to us, and the government will be on his shoulders. He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6).*

##### **Objective**

God chose a family for Jesus.

##### **Teach**

(Find a picture of the Nativity either from a Bible picture book or on your phone. Additionally, if you have a Nativity set from Christmas decorations, bring it out for the lesson.)

*For children under one year old, keep it simple with Peekaboo: “Where is Daddy?” “Here I am! Daddy loves you!” “Where is Mommy?” “Here I am! Mommy loves you!” “Where are Mommy and Daddy?” “Here we are! God gave you to us, and we love you!” Showing the Nativity, point out baby Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Teach something simple such as the following, “Where is baby Jesus? Here He is! Where is His mommy? Where is His daddy? Here they are! God gave Jesus a mommy and daddy, and they loved Him.”*

*For children between one and two years old, share pictures of when they were a newborn. “This was when God gave us you! When you were born, we became a mommy and daddy. Daddy loves you, and mommy loves you!”*

*Read the Nativity story and pair it with something like this: “God gave Jesus a mommy and daddy. When Jesus was born, Mary and Joseph became His mommy and daddy. Jesus grew older just like you.”*

## **Discussion Questions**

For children under one year old, ask:

1. Where is Mommy? (Here I am!)
2. Where is Daddy? (Here I am!)

Using the Nativity, point out baby Jesus and ask:

Where is Jesus’ mommy and daddy? (Pointing to Mary and Joseph, answer “Here they are!”)

For children between one and two years old, ask the same question but allow time for your child to answer on their own. If they do not answer, help model and guide them to the right answer.

## **Play**

Using paint, have each family member make handprints on a sheet of paper or use a marker to trace handprints on a sheet of paper. Teach that “God made our family, and God gave Jesus a family, too!”

## **Sing**

[“This is Amazing Grace”](#)

## **Live it Out**

Each night at bedtime, pray together thanking God for making our family and that Jesus came to the world.

## **Closing Prayer**

Dear God, thank You for making our family. Thank You for sending Jesus to the world and giving Him a family.