



At-A-Glance: Ages 10-12
Kings & Kingdoms: Advent of the King
Unit 10, Lesson 48

Advent 1: Announcing the King

Lesson Aim: To know we can bring
the message to others.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is the best message you have ever received?

GAME: Baby Announcement Puzzle

THE WORSHIP THE KING WHO CAME TO US

Advent Candle Lighting Ceremony: Mary's Candle

Read Worship Scripture: Luke 1:31-33

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform King City Chronicles script or read storybook.

THE WORD GABRIEL APPEARS TO MARY

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God used a young woman named Esther in saving His people.

On a Bible Timeline, point out Jesus on Earth (Circa 1-33 A.D.). A.D. stands for Anno Domini which means "the Year of our Lord." **Throughout the time when judges and kings ruled over Israel, God's people hoped for a perfect king. When the time was right, God sent an angel named Gabriel with a message for a young teenage girl in the small town of Nazareth.** Point out Nazareth in Israel. **God would use her in saving the whole world.** Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Luke 1:28-33, 37-38. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Luke 1:32-33. Pray. Read.

THE WAY WE CAN BRING THE MESSAGE

What was the first thing Gabriel said to Mary? ("Greetings you are highly favored! The Lord is with you.") **How do you think Mary felt? How would you feel if an angel appeared and said you have found favor with God? Mary was not yet married to Joseph. How do you think she felt when she heard her baby would be the Son of God?**

What did Gabriel tell Mary about her baby? (He would be God's Son. His name would be Jesus. He would be King forever. His kingdom would

never end.) **Mary was Jewish. Gabriel described Jesus in words the Jewish people knew well. He said Jesus would reign over the "House of Jacob," another name for God's people. Gabriel said the Lord would give King David's throne to Jesus. It's a way of saying King Jesus will rule over God's people, just as King David did. What does it mean to reign?** (To rule over as a king rules over his kingdom or nation.) **How long did Gabriel say King Jesus would reign?** (Forever.) **What did Gabriel say about Jesus' kingdom?** (It would never end.)

How would you explain the true meaning of Christmas in your own words to a friend who has not read the Bible? The Christmas story includes angels, miracles, and God's Son coming to earth as a baby. Is there a part of the story that seems impossible? Gabriel said, "Nothing is impossible with God." How can that help you and your friends trust the Bible is true? How can those words encourage you or a friend who is facing a situation that seems impossible?

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Throughout the time when judges and kings ruled Israel, God's people hoped for a perfect king. Gabriel announced the coming of the King to Mary. Check out what Isaiah said about this King 700 years earlier. Reveal Isaiah 9:6-7. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

What part of Isaiah's prophecy reminds you of Gabriel's message? Both said the child would reign on David's throne. Both said His kingdom would not end. What four names did Isaiah say the King would be called? (Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.) **Which name best describes the way you think of Jesus? How would you describe Jesus to your friends? Ask God to show you who needs to hear about Jesus this week.**

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Advent Calendar
- W³ BETWEEN THE LINES Journal Entry #48
- OFFERING OF ART: Gabriel telling Mary the good news
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Tasty Trumpets

GAME: Pass the Message

CRAFT: Angel Ornament

DISCUSSION: Anno Domini (A.D.)

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Crown Toss, Royal Musical Chairs

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW