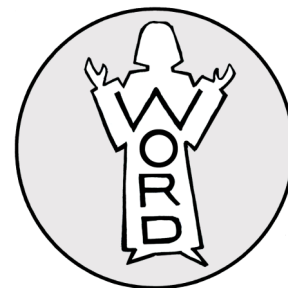




## Lesson #4-15

## THE WORD BECAME FLESH

John 1:1-18

**Key Verse:**

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory.

John 1:14

**The Point:**

In the Word, God becomes human and lives among us, bringing life.

**Unit Theme (November 28—December 25)**

God's Presence Brings Life

## LUMINARIES

*Make luminaries.*

*Supplies:*

- † White or brown paper lunch bags
- † Scissors
- † Sand
- † Battery-operated tea lights
- † Optional: markers or crayons

*Preparation:*

1. Optional: Make a sample luminary using the instructions below.

*Instructions:*

1. **We are going to make luminaries to make our home look more welcoming. Luminaries can be made simply by cutting shapes out of a small paper bag**

**and putting a light in the bottom of the bag. It is like making a paper snowflake, where you cut along folded lines in the paper to make a design. You will want to make sure you do not make any cuts to the bottom two inches of your bag, as we will be adding sand to help stabilize our luminaries.**

2. **To make a luminary, take a paper bag. Make folds in the paper wherever you want to cut out a design like a circle, triangle, or even a star. You can also decorate them with markers or crayons.**
3. Put a handful of sand in the bottom, and put a battery-operated tea light in the sand.
4. Put the luminaries outside to line your sidewalk, hallway, or driveway.



## Lesson #4-C1

# THE SAVIOR IS BORN

Luke 2:1-20



### Key Verse:

But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.”

Luke 2:10

### The Point:

God's Son has come to bring salvation and peace.

### Unit Theme (November 28—December 25)

God's Presence Brings Life

## PROMISE FULFILLED

*Reflect on Jesus as the promised Messiah.*

### Supplies:

† None

### Instructions:

1. As a large group, talk about the following:
2. **Jesus was the fulfillment of many of the Old Testament promises for a Messiah and for the healing of the brokenness of creation.**
3. **Which Bible stories that we have been reading over the past few weeks has Jesus fulfilled?** [*Isaiah 9 (A Light in the Darkness); Ezekiel 37 (Valley of the Dry Bones); Isaiah 55 (Seek the Lord); etc.*]
4. **How might the birth of Jesus be different from the kind of birth many of the Jewish people likely imagined for their triumphant Messiah?** [*It took place in a stable; he was wrapped in swaddling cloths and not fancy robes; he was born to peasants; no one except shepherds took note of his birth; etc.*]
5. **How was the birth of Jesus different from the kind of birth you might have imagined for your Messiah?**