

STAR TRIP

Our Faith Awakens

4-Week Children's Ministry
CHRISTMAS Curriculum

MAKE IT STICK

5 Simple Ways You Can Make This Lesson Stick With your Kids

Star Trip® Lesson 2

THIS WEEK'S LESSON: OUR ONLY HOPE



IN THE CAR:

Ask your child what they learned about this week on the drive home:

Joseph and Mary were just simple people who loved God. God chose them for a special mission: to be the parents to Jesus, the Savior of mankind and the light of the world.

Matthew 1:18-25, The Birth of Jesus



HANGING OUT:

Make this week's lesson real:

Sit down with your kids and look through the Christmas cards that you have received in the mail this year from family and friends. Talk about what these people mean in your lives. Remind your kids that Jesus came not only because he loves us, but because he loves each of the people represented in those cards. Take a few moments to pray for each person.



AT DINNER:

Here are some great discussion starters:

- Why did Joseph want to stop his marriage to Mary?
- How did God change his mind?
- How does Jesus' birth show us that God keeps his promises?



AT BEDTIME:

Quiz your child on this week's memory verse:

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." - John 1:5



PARENT TIME:

What you need to know:

How are you at keeping promises to your kids? Over promising and under performing can break the trust our kids have in us. Your kids look up to you as an example. Let that example be a godly one. Strive for consistency between the words you say and the actions that back them up. Pray to be more like Jesus – always fulfilling the promises you make.