



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> – PART 3 OF 3**

**Series Title: A Savior Is Born**

**Lesson Title: Jesus Was Born So That We Can Live**

**Key Scriptures: Matthew 1:18-25, Matthew 2:1-11, Luke 2:1-20**

**Homework Instructions:** This series will cover three weeks of lessons for the month of December (December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>) and includes homework for each week.

You should complete the homework assignment for each week before class. However, you are welcome to go ahead and complete all homework assignments in advance if you would like to.

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### **Lesson Overview**

In this lesson, we'll learn about the reason that Jesus was born. If you have not done so already, read the Key Scriptures so that you can have the context and perspective to best understand the Sunday School Lesson.

**This week we will cover:**

- 1. Jesus Was Born So That We Can Live**

## JESUS WAS BORN SO THAT WE CAN LIVE

When Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden, they were separated from God...and everyone who came after them was also separated from God – we inherited a sinful nature. That means before we had a chance to actively do any sin, we were sinners because of our nature.

We needed someone with a sinless life to bridge the gap between us and God, so it couldn't be anybody who was already born – that sinful nature took everybody out of the running. This sinless person also had to be willing to die a horrible death for the sins of others, in order to reconcile all mankind with God.

Have you ever heard the saying, “Jesus paid a debt He didn't owe, and we owed a debt we couldn't pay”? The one who never sinned gave His life for our sins. God had to send His only begotten son because **no one else could do it**. There was not one other person in the world or beyond who could have done what Jesus did!

The Bible says in Hebrews 9:22, “...without the shedding of blood is no remission” (of sin). Jesus could have called down legions of angels to rescue Him, but He knew we needed His blood to cleanse us – thank God it wasn't just the nails that held Him up there on that cross. It was love!

We thank God today that He loved us enough to send Jesus down to be born, crucified, die and rise again with all power in His hand. And through His life, we can have life! Now THAT'S a reason to celebrate! We celebrate His birth yearly at Christmas time. Baby Jesus, the Son of God came to save us. Let's celebrate our Savior!

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### Conclusion

The Christmas Story is an important one for all Christians to know! Understanding why the Savior was born helps to give us confidence in God's unfailing love. He gave His only begotten Son so that we could live our lives free from the bondage of sin and death. There is no greater love than the love God has for us, and that's the greatest gift that we could ever receive!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT

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### Jesus Was Born So That We Can Live

1. **Circle the Correct Answer.** Whose sin caused us to inherit a sinful nature?
  - a. Bert and Ernie
  - b. David and Goliath
  - c. Batman and Robin
  - d. Adam and Eve
2. Who came to bridge the gap between mankind and God? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Why did God have to send His only begotten Son to save mankind from our sins?  
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4. Hebrews 9:22 says, "...without the shedding of \_\_\_\_\_ is no \_\_\_\_\_."