Jesus is Born

Lord Jesus,

We light this candle to remind us that You are the Light of the World.

As we come together to pray and praise, may your light remove all darkness from our lives.

Amen.





The Long Journey to Bethlehem: Courage

- Think back to last week's story.
- How many different ways did Mary and Joseph need to show courage?

COURAGE



Commit to what is right and true

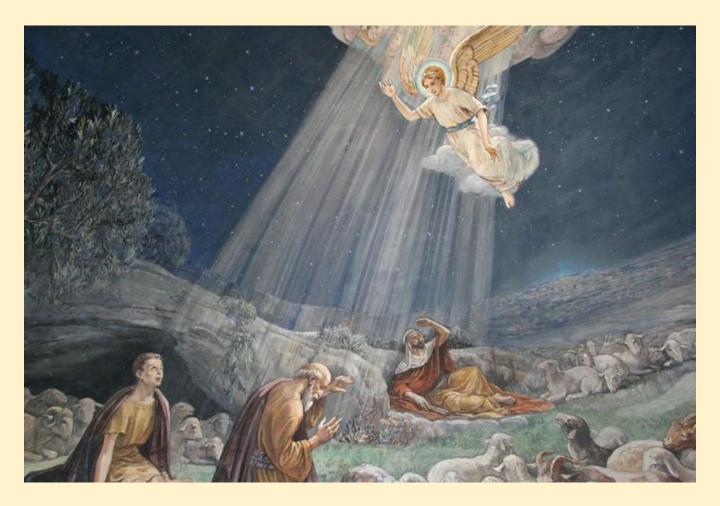
Do not be discouraged

'Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened, for the Lord, your God is with you wherever you go.'

Joshua 1:9

Shepherds and Angels

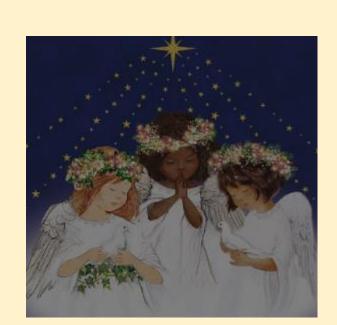
Luke 2: 5-18



Think of words to describe how the shepherds were feeling at this time.













How did the Shepherds feel? Discuss.

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people."

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

Prayer and Reflection

Dear God,

Thank you for sending Jesus to us and for showing us the gift of love. Help us to have courage in everything we do and to work together in fellowship to overcome our difficulties.

Amen.



A candle moment: To help us reflect on experiences beyond our normal everyday life.



LEADER

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

ALL

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and evermore. Amen

