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KIDS' DAILY DEVOTIONAL



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THIS POINT IN GOD'S STORY?

Today is the big day. The waiting is over. Today, we read about God fulfilling His promise to Abraham, to Isaac, to Jacob, to all of us. His promise to bless the earth, to send a savior, a rescuer. And as God SO often does, He fulfills His promise in a way that is beyond what the people of the Old Testament could have asked or imagined. He does something totally unexpected!

He sends a baby.

BIBLE READING

Luke 2:6-21

WHAT DO THOSE VERSES TELL US ABOUT GOD?

All those years of waiting. All those years of doing amazing and unexpected things, and then God . . . the creator of everything . . . who could do WHATEVER He wanted . . . who could have chosen to save His people in a BIG DRAMATIC way . . . and instead, He sends a baby. A baby whose first bed is a manger, a feeding trough for animals. And the birth announcement goes to shepherds in a field instead of to the most important people in the land.

God was trying to tell us something.

Maybe what He was trying to tell us is that this was only the BEGINNING of the rescue plan.

Not the end.

Maybe what He was trying to tell us is that the story doesn't end with a baby in a manger. It ends on a cross when that baby, now grown up, dies for all of us, even those of us who had yet to be born.

PRAYER

Dear God, Thank you, thank you, for loving the world so much that you sent your one and only son to earth to live among people. Help me always to have a heart that wants to follow him. In Jesus name we pray, amen!



