



New Covenant Fellowship

**Teacher Booklet**

# The Birth of Jesus



## **The story**

The story is taken from the gospels Matthew chapter 1 and 2 and Luke chapter 1 and 2. Depending on their age and reading level, you can choose to read the story to the children or ask them to read it themselves.

Regarding the wise men, you might like to discuss why they chose to bring expensive, kingly gifts for Jesus, who was only a young child at the time.

The story about King Herod having the baby boys killed may be disturbing for some children. It is okay to acknowledge the horror of these events.

For further extension, consider asking questions such as:

- How do you think Mary and Joseph felt when...
  - the angel told them about Jesus
  - they could find nowhere to stay
  - the shepherds came to visit
  - the wise men presented expensive gifts to Jesus
  - they had to live in Egypt
- Why do you think God chose the shepherds to hear the news about Jesus first?
- What do you imagine life was like for Jesus growing up?
- What can you do to be more like Jesus?

## **Answers**

The unscrambled words are:

Bethlehem

Mary

Joseph

Animal

Shelter

Journey

Road

Town

Donkey