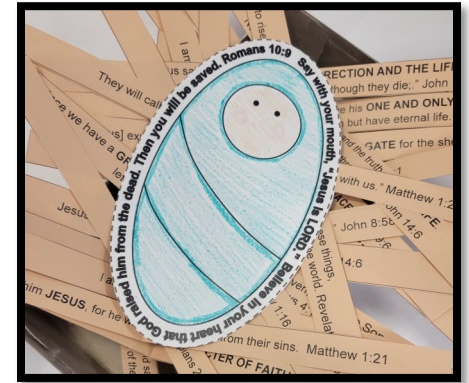


Jesus Is... 25 Names of Jesus to Prepare your Heart for Christmas

Did you know there is more than one name for Jesus? There are even more than the 25 included here! Maybe you are wondering what He needs all those names for. Well, he doesn't necessarily need all those names as much as we need them to understand just how great our God is! Each of his names describes a bit of his character. They tell us what Jesus is like. This Christmas season, spend some time focusing on each name as you cut a "strip of hay" each day to place in Jesus' manger and thank Him for each of His characteristics.



What you'll need:

scissors

glue or tape

tissue box (or a box of equivalent size)

crayons, markers, or colored pencils

copies of pages 2-4

construction paper to cover the box.

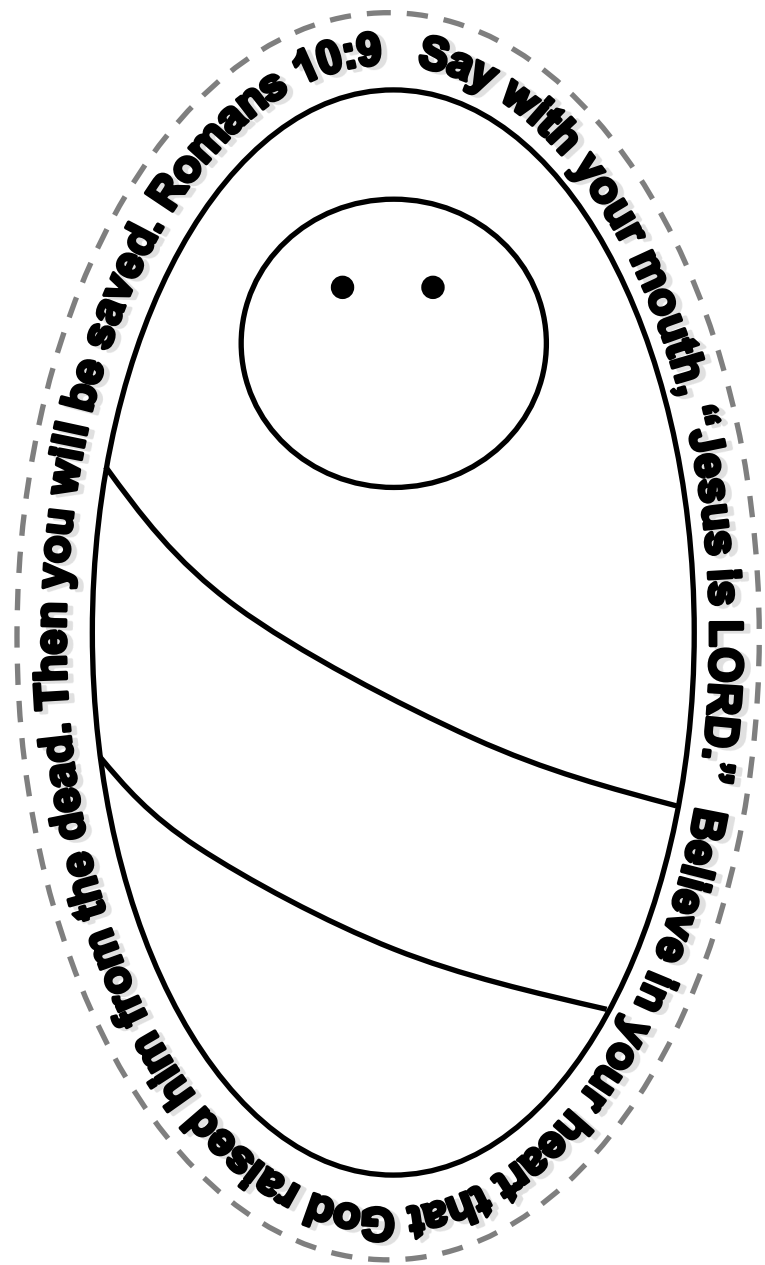
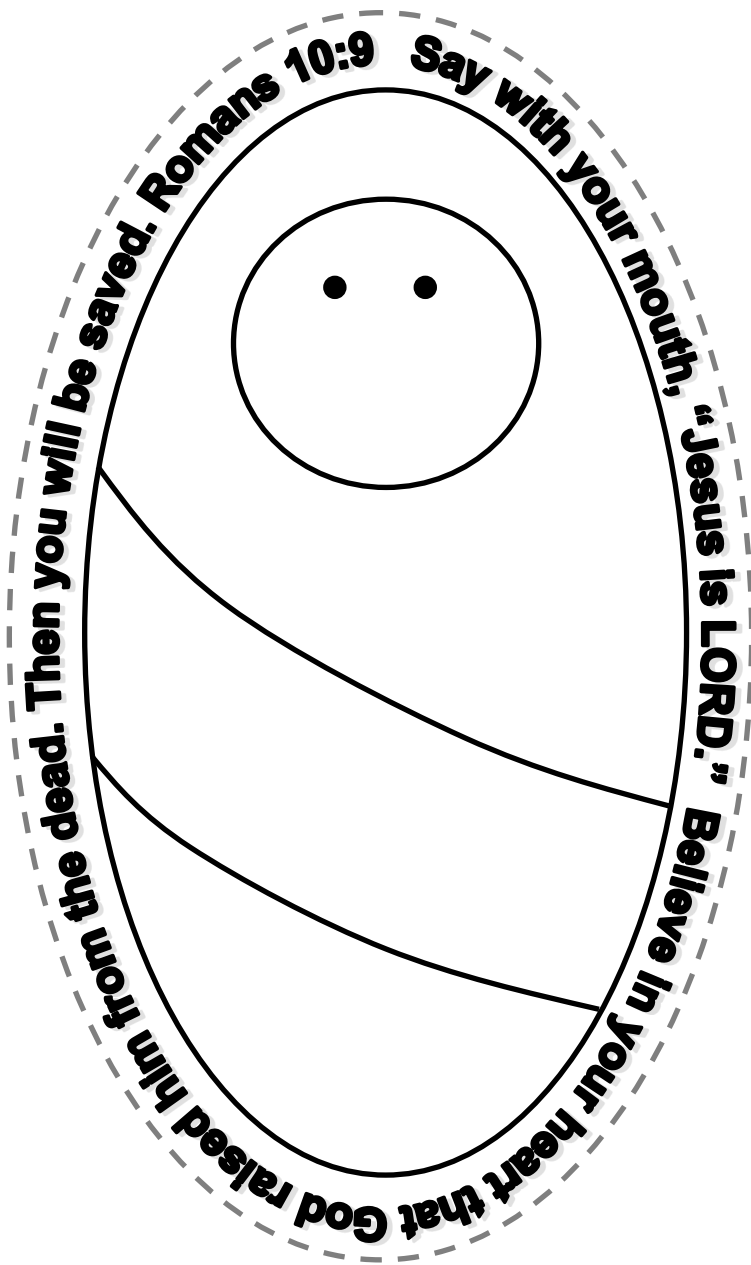
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What you'll do:

1. Prepare the "manger" by cutting the top off of a tissue box. Cover the box with construction paper. Set aside.
2. Provide 1 copy of baby Jesus (page 2) and encourage your students to color it as they wish.
3. Provide a copy of pages 3 and 4 to each student. Consider printing them on yellow or light brown colored paper. If you print the memory verses on white paper, encourage your students to color those pages as well. This will be the "hay" for your tissue box manger.
4. Leaving the header of pages 3 and 4, cut off the left, bottom, and right edges. Glue or tape the header of page 4 behind page 3, leaving no space between memory verse strips. Paper clip baby Jesus to the top of the memory verse list. Send each student's memory verse list and tissue box manger home with them, explaining to them the following.

How they'll use this:

1. Encourage students to hang their memory verse list in their home and find a prominent place for the manger.
2. December 1, the first (from the bottom) memory verse strip will be cut off, read and talked about, and placed in the manger. This will continue each day in December leading up to Christmas. On Christmas Day, read the baby Jesus verse and place Him on top of the hay in the manger. Consider singing "Away in a Manger."



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You are to name him **JESUS**, for he will save his people from their sins. Matthew 1:21

They will call him **IMMANUEL**, which means “God is with us.” Matthew 1:23

Jesus...is called the **MESSIAH**. Matthew 1:16

Christ was truly **GOD**. Philippians 2:6

[Jesus] is **THE FAITHFUL WITNESS** to these things,
the first to rise from the dead, and the ruler of all the kings of the world. Revelation 1:5

Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the **AUTHOR AND PERFECTER OF FAITH**. Hebrews 12:2

Since we have a **GREAT HIGH PRIEST** who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God,
let us hold firmly to what we believe. Hebrews 4:14

I am **THE TRUE VINE**. John 15:1

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and **THE LIFE**.
No one comes to the Father except through me.” John 14:6

Jesus answered, “I am the way and **THE TRUTH**... John 14:6

Jesus answered, “I am **THE WAY**... John 14:6

Jesus said to her, “I am **THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE**.
The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.” John 11:25

I am **THE GOOD SHEPHERD**. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep. John 10:11

[Jesus] explained it to them: “I tell you the truth, I am **THE GATE** for the sheep.” John 10:7

Jesus answered, “I tell you the truth, before Abraham was even born, **I AM!**” John 8:58

Jesus ... said, “I am **THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.**” John 8:12

Jesus replied, “I am **THE BREAD OF LIFE.**” John 6:35

For God so loved the world that he gave his **ONE AND ONLY SON**,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

John saw Jesus coming toward him and said,
“Look! **THE LAMB OF GOD** who takes away the sin of the world! John 1:29

A child is born to us...and he will be called ... **PRINCE OF PEACE.** Isaiah 9:6

A child is born to us...and he will be called ... **EVERLASTING FATHER.** Isaiah 9:6

A child is born to us...and he will be called ... **MIGHTY GOD.** Isaiah 9:6

A child is born to us...and he will be called **WONDERFUL COUNSELOR...** Isaiah 9:6

In the beginning the **WORD** [Jesus] already existed. John 1:1