

Jesus is the True Star of Christmas

OUTLINE: HopeKids Christmas Special 2022 (25th Dec 2022)

Big Point: Jesus is the True Star of Christmas

God's Word: Jesus and the Wise Men (Matthew 2:1-11)

Creative Video: [Jesus and the Wise Men](#)

Some 2,000 years ago, a bright star appeared in the eastern night sky. Spotted by a group of wise men, this star led them to a special baby who would one day bring joy and hope to the whole world. Join us on a starry-night adventure to find the true Star of Christmas!

Huddle Guide

Duration: 15 mins

Before Sunday:

- Know that the objective of Huddle Time is to have connection with the children, and to share the Good News of Jesus through the 5-Colour Gospel.
- Be sure to read through this Huddle Guide, yet also understand that this is a guide. You should plan the way you want to conduct the activities as well as how you want to express certain ideas.
- It is recommended to stay masked throughout the duration of service and huddle time as you will be in close proximity with the children. It is also not mandatory for children to wear masks in our services now.
- Know that the following will be provided for you:
 - 5 Colour Gospel Cards - 1 set per group
 - Star Projector - 1 per kid

Before Service on Sunday Morning:

- Clean all the items and stationery that you will use.

- Prepare all the items you will need into the stationery boxes so that it is easy for you to access during huddle time.

Welcome (3 mins)

- Have the children sit and huddle around you, have up to 9 children per group.
- Welcome the children to Huddle Time and share that Huddle Time is small group time. This is especially important if there are new kids visiting!
- Introduce yourself and your name.
- If the group is new to each other or if there are new kids in the group, have the kids in your group introduce their name.
- Some simple rules for Huddle Time - remind the children that BEST rules still apply:
 - B - Before You Speak, Raise Your Hands
 - E - Exercise Attention
 - S - Silence when Whistle is Blown
 - T - Time-Out After Three Taps

Alright, HopeKids. Are you enjoying your time in HopeKids so far? Let me first ask you some questions first:

- How many of you love Christmas?
- What is your favourite part of Christmas?
- What is your favourite Christmas song?
- Do you have a Christmas Tree at home?
- Did you help to decorate the Christmas Tree at home?
- Who is the True Star of Christmas?

If you remember what we have been learning, you will know that the true star of Christmas is Jesus! I now have another story to share with you why Jesus is the true star of Christmas.

Activity: 5 Colour Gospel

Materials Needed:

- 5 Colour Gospel Cards - 1 set per group
- Star Projector Gift - 1 per kid

Note:

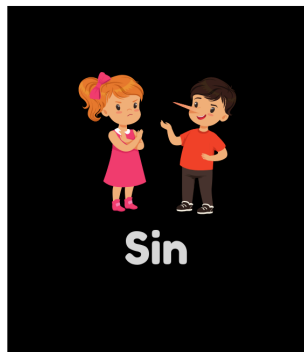
- *You can even engage some kids to help tell the story of the 5 colour gospel!*
- *Please feel free to include your own elements to engage your kids.*



This is the story as to why Jesus had to be born on earth and be the true star of Christmas. This story is also known as the good news of Jesus, or the Gospel.

Gospel Colours (& what they represent)

- **Yellow** – First, I have the colour yellow that represents Heaven! Heaven is God’s kingdom, where there is no pain and tears. In heaven, everything is perfect and beautiful. God made everyone, including you, and God loves us very much and wants us to be with him.





- **Black** – Next, is the colour black that represents Sin. Sin are things like not listening to God or not listening to our parents and teachers. Doing things that God does not want us to do, like fighting with our friends and even lying! Sin separates us from God. Because of sins, our hearts are no longer pure and clean, and it makes us far from God, and we cannot be in heaven with God anymore.



- **Red** – Next is the colour red that represents the Blood of Jesus. God loves us very much and wants to be near us again, so God sent Jesus to earth. This is why we have Christmas and celebrate Christmas - we celebrate Jesus being born on earth to save us. Jesus does not sin, and was someone who went around teaching people about God's Love and God's Word. Jesus took the punishment for our sins by dying on the cross. But because He is from God, Jesus came back to life on the third day, showing His power over sin, death and being able to save us.



- **White** – Next is the colour white which represents a clean heart. Only Jesus' blood can wash away our sins and make our hearts clean again. If we believe in Jesus and that He died on the cross for our sins, He can make our hearts clean again! With a clean heart, we can be close to God again. (Inject some ways children can have a clean heart – e.g. being sorry for the sins in their life and asking God to forgive them.)
 - If children seem to want to receive Jesus and ask Jesus for forgiveness of sins, feel free to lead children to say the sinner's prayer.
 - *Dear Jesus, thank you for loving me. I admit that I have sins in my life. I am sorry for my sins. Please forgive me. Come into my life and save me from sins. Come and be the King of my life. Help me to know you more and love you more. In Jesus' name, Amen.*

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Green – Lastly, the colour green represents Growth! Green reminds us of things that grow, when we believe in Jesus, we will also want to grow to know Jesus more and more! Just like growing in our friendship with Jesus. (Inject some ways children can grow in their relationship with God – e.g. reading God’s word, praying to God etc.)
	<p>To link back to the big point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● But now, I have one last bauble to give you, to remind you, Jesus is the Star of Christmas, and Christmas is all about Jesus coming from heaven to earth to save us all. Jesus grew up, and taught many people about God’s love. Eventually He died on the cross to save us from sins, but came back to life on the third day. Remember HopeKids, Christmas is all about Jesus and He loves you so, so much!
	<p>Alright, and now we have a star projector to give to all of you as Christmas presents. But who is the True star of Christmas?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jesus is the True Star of Christmas
	<p>Alright, awesome effort HopeKids! Remember, today we learnt that Jesus is the True Star of Christmas!</p> <p>We hope you had fun today and today is also the last HopeKids service of this year! We will see you in the new year!</p>