

## Family Talk – *Joy to the World*

### READ TOGETHER

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**Matthew 2:10, Luke 1:46, 2:10**

1. How would you define joy? How is it different from happiness?
2. Why should Jesus' birth bring us joy?
3. We sing *joy to the world*, but how do we share joy with the world?

### LIVE IT

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The Christmas story is full of joy. The thought of Jesus, Savior of the world, fills Mary, Elizabeth, Elizabeth's unborn child, the shepherds and everyone else with tremendous joy.

When we think about Jesus, do we feel that same joy? Sadly, when many of us focus on Jesus, we think about our guilt and shame, viewing Him only as a judge. But Jesus came to redeem and save (see John 3:17)! Jesus is **for** us, not against us (see Romans 8:31). Discuss as a family how you can keep a mindset of joy when it comes to Jesus.

### LEAN ON GOD

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Dear God,

Thank You, Father, for sending Your Son Jesus. We also thank You that in Him, we can find true joy outside of our circumstances. Help us focus on Jesus this Christmas season, remembering that He is the greatest gift ever given.

In Jesus name,

Amen

