# WHAT CHILD IS THIS?

24 DAY CHRISTMAS BIBLE READING PLAN

> HOMEMADE DISCIPLES

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## HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

Presents, cookies, shopping, lights, the cold nights that call for cups of hot cocoa... I love the Christmas season! But it's easy to let Christmas become nostalgic, empty traditions, or simply a busy season running around with a gift list and an even bigger to-do list. That's why each year, I have to be extra intentional about slowing down this season and focusing on what it's really about – Jesus.

Whether you are using this resource for your own bible time, or if you're using it with your family, my hope is that it will help you fix your eyes on Jesus this Christmas season – even though the hustle and bustle of whatever life looks like for you.

My goal is that this is not complicated or profound, but hopefully, through this simple reading plan, we can all grow deeper in our understanding and worship of the God who came to earth as a child, experienced life like ours, and died in our place, so that we could be called children of God.

#### **HELPFUL TIPS:**

After reading the Bible verses for each day, ask yourself the following questions:

- 1. What does it mean that Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_?
- 2. How does knowing Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ help us worship him?



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#### IF YOU ARE COMPLETING THIS PLAN BY YOURSELF:

Set up your bible reading area for the month: collect your bible, this reading plan, a notebook or journal, a pen, and a bible highlighter if you use one and put them all together in an easy to see and reach spot so you are ready to make Bible reading a consistent part of your routine. Some people like to put their Bible and supplies in a basket on their coffee table, or nightstand, mine sit in a stack on the end table in our living room where I usually drink my coffee in the mornings.

Journaling your responses to the questions above, or making notes of what stands out to you in scripture can help you understand the passage better, know what to ask questions about and look into deeper, as well as apply what you are learning to your life. If you've never kept a journal or notebook with your bible for notes, study, prayer, etc. I encourage you to try it out for the next 24 days.



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#### IF YOU ARE COMPLETING THIS PLAN WITH YOUR FAMILY:

Print out the ornament sheets at the end of this resource, you'll then punch a hole through them and loop a string through the hole to use them as Christmas Tree Ornaments. Each day your family can hang a new ornament on the Christmas Tree!

Note: You can also keep these in a basket and let your children pick one each day to use – If you choose this option you will be going through the plan out of order – simply find the name you are reading that day instead of going in order. This allows your children to play an exciting role in what you will learn each day as you study Jesus together.

If you are doing this study with young children, they may or may not be able to answer the above questions depending on their age. This is an opportunity for you to show them how to process through scripture as you reflect on the questions together as a family. Don't underestimate the power of scripture alone – our 3-year-old probably can process through the scripture and answer these questions, but as we study Jesus as a family he is still hearing scripture and being a part of spiritual disciplines that will help him grow in faith in the years to come.

End each reading time with a simple prayer summarizing what you learned together. For example on day one (creator), you can pray something like this:

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for being our creator. You've given us a beautiful world, wonderful family, and great friends. Help us to remember all of your gifts you've created for us and worship you together. Amen.

Above all, enjoy this time, and this Christmas season with your family!



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DAY 1: CREATOR John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:13-20

DAY 2: EMMANUEL Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-23

**DAY 3: HIGH PRIEST** Hebrews 2:17; 4:14-5:10; 7:26-28

DAY 4: LAMB OF GOD John 1:29-30; 1 Peter 1:17-21

DAY 5: COUSELOR Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 32:8

DAY 6: ALIGHTY Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 28:16-18; Revelation 1:8

**DAY 7: EVERLASTING** Isaiah 9:6; Isaiah 40:28; Psalm 103:14-18; Psalm 90:1-2

DAY 8: PRINCE OF PEACE Isaiah 9:6; John 14:27; Romans 5:1

DAY 9: HOLY ONE Mark 1:21-28; 1 Samuel 2:2

DAY 10: LIGHT OF THE WORLD

John 1:4-5

DAY 11: BREAD OF LIFE

John 6:22-40

**DAY 12: I AM** 

John 8:51-58

DAY 13: SON OF GOD

John 1:32-34; John 3:16; Matthew 3:13-17

DAY 14: THE DOOR

John 10:1-10

DAY 15: GOOD SHEPHERD John 10:11-16

DAY 16: RESSURECTION & LIFE John 11:1-27

DAY 17: WAY, TRUTH & LIFE John 14:1-7

> DAY 18: AUTHOR Hebrews 12:1-2

**DAY 19: CONERSTONE** 

Psalm 118:22; Ephesians 2:18-22; Acts 4:10-12

> **DAY 20: KING** 1 Timothy 1:17; 6:15

DAY 21: REDEEMER Isaiah 59:20

DAY 22: SAVIOR Luke 2:8-20

DAY 23: MESSIAH/CHRIST John 1:41; 2:25

DAY 24: ALPHA & OMEGA

Revelation 1:8















































