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A COMMUNITY KIDS GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

WARS

WEEK 2 – JESUS IS MY ONLY HOPE!

DISCUSSION GUIDE FOR GROUPS OCCURRING DECEMBER 5TH TO 11TH

GOD PROMISES, GOD DELIVERS!

Have you ever had an unexpected adventure? What was it? Have the kids make up a story about someone on an adventure.

In our Bible lesson today, we'll learn about Mary and Joseph, two people who found themselves on an adventure they could not have expected. Mary and Joseph were two ordinary people. Mary was just an ordinary girl, a virgin who had never had a grown-up relationship with a man. Yet God chose her to give birth to the savior of the world. Joseph was an ordinary man. He wasn't a warrior, king, or even a priest, just an ordinary carpenter. When he learned Mary was going to have a baby, he didn't understand it at all. He knew the baby wasn't his, so he assumed it must belong to another man.

Joseph loved Mary, but he decided the best thing would be to divorce her because he thought she had been unfaithful. But it was God's plan for Jesus to have a mother and father on earth, and so He stepped in. An angel visited Joseph in a dream, and told him to make Mary his wife. The baby growing inside her was from God. They were to give the child the name Jesus. He would save the people from their sins.

Joseph knew the old prophecies about the promised Savior. And now he understood that God was using him to fulfill His promise. The prophet Isaiah had said long ago that the Savior's mother would be a virgin. Isaiah called the child "Immanuel", which means "God with us". Sometimes God sends an adventure our way and we just have to be ready to say yes!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who were Jesus' earthly parents?
2. What was Jesus' earthly dad's job?
3. What was Joseph going to do when he found out Mary was with child?
4. Who showed up to help change his mind?
5. What is a prophet?
6. Which prophet was mentioned in our Bible lesson?
7. Isaiah said that the child would be called what?
8. What does "Immanuel" mean?
9. How can Jesus help give you peace?
10. What can we pray for you about today?

POWER VERSE

"The Lord takes pleasure in those who respect Him, those who put their hope in His mercy" **Psalm 147:11**



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