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Ages 4 Through 8

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Why I Follow Jesus

When I follow Jesus,
I may find strife and pain.
Yet through His love and power,
His blessing I will gain.

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How Do I Follow?

Ned kicked at the mulch as he sat on the swing beside his friend Eddie, who had helped him become a Christian the day before. “How do I live like a Christian?” he asked.

“Well, you have to leave everything behind,” Eddie said.

Ned’s jaw dropped. “I have to move out of my house?”

Eddie shook his head, laughing. “No. I mean you have to stop living the way you used to live.”

“What do you mean?” Ned asked.

Just then, Grant, the class bully, fell off the monkey bars. He did not get back up.

Eddie stood up from the swing. “We have to go help Grant.”

Ned rolled his eyes. “Grant wouldn’t help us if we were hurt. Besides, he always steals my pencils.”

Eddie turned around to face Ned. “This is what I mean. Old Ned wouldn’t help Grant because he’s mean. But new Ned would want to follow what Jesus says and love his enemies.”

Ned stopped kicking the mulch under the swing. Eddie was right. Ned wanted to be new Ned, not old Ned. He stood up, and the two of them walked over to Grant.

“Are you OK?” Ned asked Grant.

Grant sniffled. “I hurt my arm.”

Eddie helped Grant stand up. “Let’s get you to the teacher.”

As Ned helped Eddie bring Grant to the teacher, he could feel that he was already beginning to follow Jesus. From now on, he would follow Jesus’ example.



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Bible Picture Lesson Card

Prophecy of Jesus' Birth

Luke 1:26-38

Before Jesus was born, God sent an angel to earth. Gabriel, the angel, came to the city of Nazareth in a part of Israel called Galilee. He came to Mary, who was engaged to Joseph, a descendant of King David.

The angel said to Mary, "Greetings! You are highly thought of by God, and God is with you. Out of all the women in the world, He has chosen you for a special blessing." Mary was confused and troubled by all of this. She wondered what it all meant.

The angel told Mary not to be afraid. God was very pleased with her. Gabriel told her that she was going to have a baby. She would have a son who was to be named Jesus.

“He will be great,” Gabriel said. “He will be called the Son of the Highest. God will give Him the throne of His ancestor King David, and He will reign forever. His kingdom will never end.”

Mary wondered how all this would be possible, since she was not married. Gabriel told her that the Holy Spirit of God would make all this happen. Her child would be called the Son of God.

The angel told Mary that her older relative Elisabeth was also going to have a child, because with God nothing is impossible.

Mary humbly told Gabriel that she was the Lord’s servant. She was willing for everything to happen just as the angel had said.

