

# Bring It Home

*(Devotional for the Family)*

**Lesson Theme: “Get Ready!” (Part 1)**

**Scripture: Luke 1:1-25**

**Memory Verse:** Luke 1:17 *“He will...make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”*

**Teachers/Parents:** In class we talked a lot about how we get ready for Christmas. What are some ways that you as a family get ready for Christmas? Discuss together what some of your favorite traditions are and what makes them so special!

## Discussion Questions:

- 1) Read **Luke 1:1-4**. In class we emphasized how important it is that the account of Jesus’s birth and life does not begin with *“Once Upon a Time”*. If the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus was only a fairy tale, would you be a Christian? Why or why not?
- 2) Look more closely at **Luke 1:4**. What did Luke say his purpose for writing this account of Jesus was? What are some things that you are certain or sure of? Do you have a similar certainty about Jesus Christ?
- 3) Read **Luke 1:5**. Notice that there are many REAL details described here showing that this is REAL history. What are some of the people, places, and times described? Why do you think this is important? (See Question #1)
- 4) Read **Luke 1:8-12**. Zacharias was going about his priestly duties when suddenly an angel appeared to him. How did he respond in v. 12? Imagine yourself in Zacharias’s position. Why do you think he felt that way? How do you think you would have responded if the angel came to you?
- 5) In **Luke 1:16** we see that John the Baptist was appointed to TURN people to God. Discuss what you think it means to TURN to God. Read **Zechariah 1:3**. What do you think it looks like to TURN to God? See also **Jeremiah 32:33**.
- 6) At the end of **Luke 1:17**, we see John the Baptist was also appointed to tell people to GET READY for the coming of the Lord. For as **John 3:16** says, God was “GETTING READY” to give His only Son to the world. Wow! This was the first Christmas! With Christmas 2020 behind us and a New Year ahead of us what is something you can do to get YOUR HEART READY for Jesus in 2021?