

Family Devotional



WE'VE BEEN SAVED! JESUS' RESCUE MISSION

Favorites

HAVE SOMEONE GO AROUND AND ANSWER...

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS GIFT?
WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT GOD?

Tell it

READ THIS STORY ALOUD

SEVERAL YEARS AGO, TWO LADIES FROM OUR SENDING CHURCH WERE PUT IN PRISON IN AFGHANISTAN BECAUSE OF THEIR FAITH IN JESUS. A GROUP OF VERY MEAN PEOPLE NAMED THE TALIBAN HELD THEM CAPTIVE. THE LADIES WERE THERE FOR A LONG TIME AND EXPERIENCED A LOT OF SCARY THINGS. A LONG TIME WENT BY AND GOD EVENTUALLY RESCUED THEM FROM THEIR ENEMIES. GOD SET UP A RESCUE MISSION USING U.S. SOLDIERS WHO SWOOPED DOWN IN A HELICOPTER IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT TO SAVE THEM. THE MEN CAME DOWN FROM A HELICOPTER, HID IN THE BUSHES AND, JUST AT THE RIGHT TIME, SAVED OUR FRIENDS FROM THE SCARY SITUATION.

ONCE THE SOLDIERS APPEARED AND THE LADIES WERE SAFELY IN THE HELICOPTER WITH THEM, THEY KNEW THEY WERE RESCUED! GOD IS A RESCUER TOO. YOU SEE, EVERYONE IS TRAPPED BY SIN AND IN NEED OF RESCUE. IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, GOD SET UP THE BIGGEST RESCUE MISSION EVER BY SENDING HIS OWN SON JESUS.

Teach it

READ ALOUD AND DISCUSS TOGETHER
MATTHEW 1:18-23

Discuss

WHY DID THE ANGEL TELL JOSEPH TO NAME HIM JESUS?
WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY IMMANUEL MEANS?
WHEN ARE WE RESCUED FROM OUR SIN?
HOW IS CHRISTMAS LIKE A RESCUE MISSION FROM GOD?

Respond

READ ALOUD AND RESPOND TOGETHER
LUKE 2:1-20

THINK THROUGH ALL THE WAYS THIS STORY TELLS OF OUR RESCUE AND HOW IT IS SIMILAR TO THE STORY OF THE TWO LADIES WHO WERE IMPRISONED IN AFGHANISTAN. TAKE A MOMENT AND PRAY TO GOD THANKING HIM FOR THE WAY HE HAS RESCUED YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

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