



week 3



## SYMBOL OF THE WEEK: ANGEL

### Song: Joy To The World (Verse 1)

*Joy to the world! The Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King!*

*Let every heart prepare Him room*

*And heaven and nature sing*

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## PRELUDE

The shepherds were out in the fields. Most people didn't want to be around them. They were lonely and people thought that they weren't important. Their days were long and not that exciting.

## THE STORY

For the shepherds, it seemed like an ordinary night. They were spending a typical evening watching their sheep. To start, it couldn't be more ordinary.

Then, something extraordinary happened. An angel appeared out of nowhere and started speaking to them. It said:

“Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.”

Then the shepherds sang with joy! The shepherds were so happy that they went as fast as they could to see this baby that the angels talked about. They were so excited that they shared with Mary everything that the angels said. They were so full of JOY that they returned to their fields singing and praising God.

## FINALE

Jesus is the source of the greatest JOY that we could ever know because he saved us!

## VERSE

“Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory.” Peter 1:8b

