



**"THE WORD BECAME FLESH AND MADE HIS DWELLING AMONG US. WE HAVE SEEN HIS GLORY, THE GLORY OF THE ONE AND ONLY SON, WHO CAME FROM THE FATHER, FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH."
JOHN 1:14**

Theme: Glory

Glory: (Meaning) Magnificence or great beauty; (Verb) To take pleasure in.

Can you think of something that has great beauty? When I think about beauty, I picture a night sky covered with bright twinkling stars, or a huge mountain touching the clouds, or I imagine standing on top of that mountain watching the sunset paint beautiful colors across the sky. What would you feel while looking at those beautiful creations? You might feel so amazed you would say things like, "WOW!" or "OOO" and "AWE."

But on Christmas, God did something even more beautiful than these things. He did something so glorious, even the angels began to sing his praise! God sent his one and only Son to the world to be the best gift anyone could ever want or need. Now this was glorious! He gave a broken world a perfect man to show us the glory of God's love. Jesus was given to show the love of God and enjoy his glory as his sons and daughters forever!

Family Questions: Get your children to talk about what they think glory means. Ask them if there are any glorious things in their lives. Help them understand that every glorious created thing is meant to point them toward the glory of God. Then help them to see that there is nothing more glorious than the coming of God to earth to do for us what we could never do for ourselves.

Family Activity: Ask your kids to choose the ornament or decoration on the tree that they think makes it the most beautiful. Once they have chosen one, play I Spy with the family to try to find it. Also, ask them which Christmas song they think sounds most glorious; play the song during the game!

