

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



A series of horizontal dotted lines for journaling.



Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

Go to [bit.ly/SundaysAtHomePreteen](https://bit.ly/SundaysAtHomePreteen) and watch this week's episode of The So & So Show.

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

- 1. You liked: .....
- 2. You learned: .....
- 3. You'd like to know: .....

## Day 2

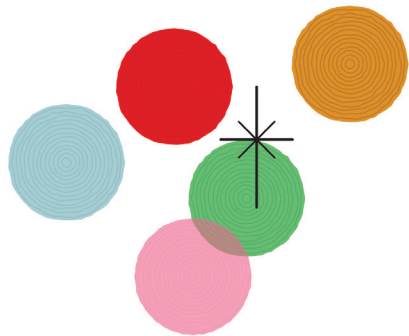
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### Read Matthew 2:1-12

As you read Matthew 2:1-12, look at each of the following ways the wise men celebrated Jesus.

- ▶ They gave Him gifts
- ▶ They bowed down
- ▶ They searched for Jesus
- ▶ They worshipped Him
- ▶ They were filled with joy

Now, look at each of the points above. Each of these is a way that you can celebrate Jesus in the coming year as well! You can keep searching to find and know God better. You can worship Him—in song and with your life. You can bow down to pray and tell God how great He is. You can give Jesus the very best gift you have—your heart. And you can be filled with joy as you keep celebrating Jesus long after Christmas ends!



## Day 3

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**Just as the wise men bowed to worship the Son of God long after the shepherds had returned to their fields and Mary and Joseph had left the place where Jesus was born, you aren't limited to only celebrate Jesus during Christmas!**

One of the ways you can keep celebrating Jesus is by talking to Him in prayer every day.

If your family has a Christmas tree and it's still up, go sit by the tree and pray this prayer. You could also play Christmas music quietly in the background.

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Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to be our Savior! This is a really fun time of year when the whole world seems to recognize that You are worthy to be celebrated. But I want to keep celebrating You even after the tree and lights come down. Please help me to remember that I should never stop celebrating Jesus. I want to celebrate God's gift every day, not just at Christmas. Help me to do that by showing others your love with my words and actions. In Jesus' Name, I pray. Amen.

## Day 4

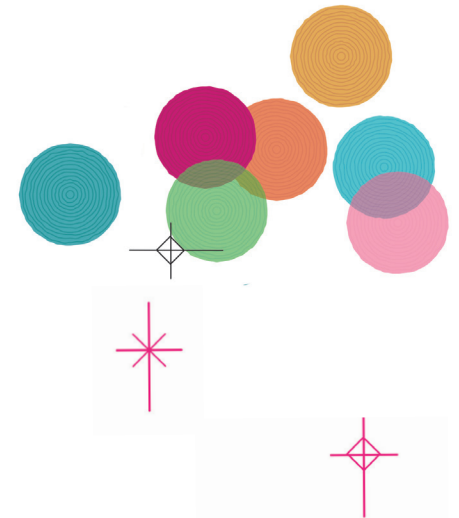
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**It will be a lot easier to keep the celebrating going year round if you can get your family on board too.**

Then together, talk about some things you can do to keep the Christmas spirit going in the new year.

Maybe you can celebrate Jesus by going to church as a family every Sunday you're in town. Or you could commit to do a family Bible study a couple of times a month. You could start a family prayer list on the fridge or somewhere else in the house where everyone can share needs and celebrations that you can talk to God about. Or maybe you will select a non-profit or a local family in need that you can help in some way.

There are so many ways to keep celebrating Jesus, so talk about it and make a plan!



## Day 5

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**How can you celebrate Jesus all year long?**

2021 is almost over, but the party to celebrate Jesus is just getting started. Before you pack up all the Christmas decorations, pick out one Christmas decoration to leave up all year to remind you to **never stop celebrating Jesus**. It might be Christmas lights in your room, or a favorite ornament that you hang on your doorknob. Whatever it is, when you see it, remember to celebrate God's greatest gift: Jesus, our Savior!