

## Christmas Advent Calendar - the Nativity story

1. An angel appeared to Mary and told her she was going to have a baby.
2. Mary and Joseph prepared a donkey for their journey to Bethlehem.
3. They travelled to Bethlehem.
4. They looked everywhere for a room to stay. There was none.
5. They tried the local inn. The inn keeper said they could stay in a small stable nearby.
6. Joseph prepared the stable with clean straw ready for the birth of Mary's child.
7. There were a few cattle in the stall which looked on with the donkey.
8. In the night Mary's baby was born. She wrapped Him in cloth and laid Him in the manger. His name was Jesus.
9. On the hills outside Bethlehem a group of shepherds were watching their sheep.
10. The shepherds saw a dazzling light in the night sky grow brighter and brighter.
11. An angel appeared to the shepherds and told them that Jesus, the Saviour, was born in a manger in Bethlehem.
12. The angels sang "Glory to God in the highest, peace to all people on earth!"
13. The shepherds hurried to Bethlehem to find the child, Jesus, and they knelt to worship Him.
14. In a far away country three wise men made a journey across the desert following a bright star in the east.
15. The three wise men found where the baby was, and worshipped Him, giving gifts of gold, frankincense and myrr.
16. Angels, shepherds, and the wise men all praised the baby Jesus.