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**A Bible Story**

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# BIG PROMISES

The Bible is a big book, and there are lots and **LOTS** of true stories in it. But the Bible is also **ONE BIG TRUE STORY**. In the Old Testament part (the part before Jesus was born), God made lots of **AMAZING** promises. He promised...

to send a king...

who would rescue...

God's people...

who would be full of joy...

and live with him forever in his kingdom-land.

This book is all about how, at the first Christmas, God sent his Son, Jesus, to keep those promises. So keep a lookout for these clues on the pages to spot God keeping his promises!

God **KEEPS** his promise...

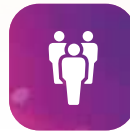
About a  
**KING**



To **RESCUE**



About his  
**PEOPLE**



That he will bring  
**JOY** – happiness





# 1. An Angel Visits Mary


Luke 1:26-38



Hundreds of years had passed since God had spoken to his people. Then, one day, he sent an angel to a little town called Nazareth and to a young woman called Mary. The angel was named Gabriel, and he had a message.



Mary had never seen an angel before. She was scared.



“Don’t be afraid, Mary,” said Gabriel. “God has chosen you for a very special job. You are going to have a baby boy called Jesus. He will be God’s Son, he will be the king of God’s people, and he will rule forever.”





Mary asked the angel how she could have a baby whose father was God. It was impossible.

“God’s Holy Spirit will make this happen,” Gabriel answered. “God always keeps his promises.”

“I am God’s servant,” replied Mary. “I am ready for all this to happen.”