Nativity Manger Scene

This activity is available as a download at www.holyheroes.com/nativity

Today Trey teaches us about the Nativity Manger scene!



Hi! Today we are going to learn about how the Nativity Manger scene or crèche became part of Catholic Tradition by **WATCHING** a special Advent Adventure **BONUS VIDEO** we made when Trey was just a little kid! In the video he is dressed as a saint. Can you guess who?

We've made it easy for you to make your OWN manger scene that you can color yourself! Just follow the simple steps below—and make sure to see the VIDEO your Adventure Guides made to show you how it works:



1. Print off colorable manger scene cutouts that you download at www.holyheroes.com/nativity.



- 2. **Color them, cut them out,** and **tape or glue** them onto some of **your own cardboard** so they are more sturdy (paper plates work great in place of cardboard).
- 3. **Cut out** a bunch of your own **cardboard "stands"** and **insert** them **on the bottoms** so the cutouts can **stand up**.
- 4. Put your "sacrifice manger" in **front of the stable background**—that's where Baby Jesus will go when He's born—and **put the animals around** the stable. Don't forget to **color the little animals** that you will find hidden in the stable already!

REMEMBER: Some of the manger scene items are not to be used right now—save them for later when it gets closer to Christmas morning!

You can color them and get them ready now...but just wait a few more days before you use them. Okay?

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The Three Kings and Presents for Jesus

The first p	eople to bring presents to Baby Jesus were—the Three Kings or Magi!
VIDEO	But they did NOT come on Christmas! When did they come? The Adventure Guides explain it in a special video today. WATCH this VIDEO at www.AdventAdventure.com, then complete the rest of this page!
VIDEO	How can you give presents to Jesus? The Adventure Guides have some nifty ideas about this in another video you can WATCH today.
Why don	't you give some presents to Jesus, too? After all, it is His birthday we're going to be celebrating.
HERE	S HOW TO DO IT:
## I On	the lines below WRITE some ideas for "presents for Jesus" that you can still do before Christmas day:
Then, put	nen, when you "DO" each present, WRITE it down on a slip of paper and PUT it in an ENVELOPE. the envelope behind the stable—and open it up when Christmas morning arrives to see family gave to Baby Jesus!

JESSE in Salvation History



Today we learn about JESSE, for whom the "Jesse Tree" is named. Jesse is the great-great-great-greatgreat-great-great-great-great-great-great-greatgreat-great-great-great-great-great-great-greatgreat-great (that's 24 "greats"!) grandfather of Jesus.

What was the name of the son of Jesse whom Samuel anointed to be the next king?

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You can **READ** about it in 1 Samuel 16:1-13.

CRACK the CODE to find out which son of Jesse God asked Samuel to anoint as the new King of Israel!

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DAVID, the Shepherd and King

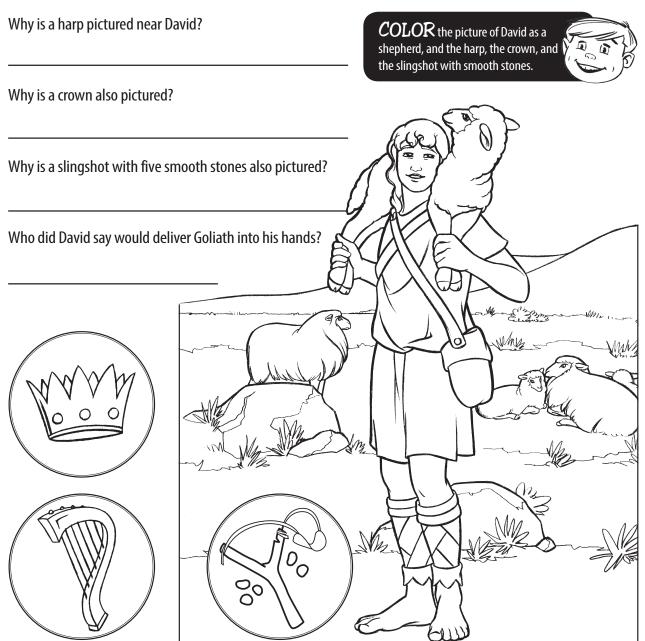
You've heard Jesus called the "Son of David," haven't you? Well, today, we learn about David!



READ 1 Samuel chapters 16-17.



READ the **Picture Bible** pages 281-362.



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SATURDAY/ December 14 – ANSWER KEY

Jesse: Crack the code

Bethlehem

Jesse

Anoint

Seven

Field

Sheep

Anoint

David

Jesus

David

- 1. David played the harp (and it helped calm King Saul).
- 2. David became the King of Israel.
- 3. David killed Goliath with a slingshot.
- 4. God!