

## **Grade 1 At-Home Lesson Plan**

**December 13, 2023**

**Opening Prayer:** Say the following prayer as a family.

4,3,2,1, count the weeks 'till Jesus comes.  
Each week we add another light.  
Our hope for Jesus, growing bright.  
We pray, We share, We do our part...  
To welcome Jesus in our heart.  
Amen.

**Lesson:** Preparing for Jesus' Birth

- First, listen to the book [Itsy Bitsy Christmas](#).
- After listening to the story, ask your child what he or she learned about God's love. Explain to him or her that God loves everyone and everything big or small.
- Then, ask your child if he or she ever felt too small to do anything. Let him or her share his or her thoughts. Talk about how God has a plan for even the smallest people and things in the world. Do not be afraid, God will always be with you and love you.
- Finally, as a family, decide what you will do this week to prepare for Jesus' birth. (For example: set up the Nativity, decorate your Christmas tree, bake cookies for a neighbor, collect food for the food pantry, etc.)

**Activity:** Complete the coloring page.

**Reminder:** Bring any at-home activities to class on December 20, 2023 to share with your catechist.