

LEARNER TAKE-HOME SHEET: THE ANNUNCIATION

Luke 1:26-56



KEY WORDS

Keep a family white board someplace near the dinner table, and write these words on it. Try writing a family definition for each one during the week.

ANNUNCIATION

MAGNIFICAT

GOSPEL

Take this sheet home and keep it someplace near the dinner table like on the fridge. At least three times next week at dinner, use Prayer Time and one other family activity to make your confirmation learning come alive!

PRAYER TIME

Gather around a table, and light a candle. Pray this prayer together.

Jesus, born of Mary and the Holy Spirit, you are Lord and Messiah. Come now to us and fill us with hope. Raise up the poor and needy around us, that your justice may be made known. Help us to share and to live the good news of your birth, life, death, and resurrection. Bless us, now and forever. Amen

TALK TIME

- Talk about the challenges young parents face in your neighborhood or congregation. What are some ways you as a family can connect with them?
- In what ways can you describe the presence of God in everyday life and ordinary experiences that your family shares?
- Parents share what they are thankful for in their children. Children share what they are grateful for in their parents.



WEB TIME

Use a search engine to find topics on the Web that speak about pregnancy. What makes for a healthy pregnancy? Look for Web sites about Mary and the annunciation. Try doing a search with the words *nothing is impossible*, or *anything is possible*. What connections can you make with the story of the annunciation? What news of hope do you read about?

RITUAL TIME

Take turns sharing leadership throughout the week. Each leader begins prayer with the words Gabriel spoke to Mary, "The Lord be with you." All respond, "and also with you." Leaders and responders may also practice greeting one another with outstretched arms when speaking the words.

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