



## Theme: Jesus is the best gift

### Book: Jesus' Christmas Party by Nicholas Allan

#### Reflection on last week's faith in action, with the families.

**What** was last week's action?

**How** did that make you feel?

**Why** did that make a difference?



#### Prayer time

Jesus, thank you for coming to earth and being born as a baby amongst us. Help us to remember you in the busyness of Christmas.  
Amen

#### Inspiration ...

#### Biblical Reference:

##### John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

#### • SNACK TIME

Cupcakes with candles so you could sing Happy Birthday to Jesus.

#### • SONGS

Use musical instruments

Away in a manger

We wish you a Merry Christmas

#### Additional resources:

A re-telling of the story on Youtube

<https://youtu.be/N6TDZgsZgfU>

#### Theme Introduction:

Christmas is a time of presents/gifts, it could be the favourite part of Christmas for many people. Through this book we introduce the idea that Jesus is the best gift of all.

#### Theme exploration:

God gives us a lot of nice gifts, but one gift is the best gift of all, better than all the others. Jesus is the best gift that God has ever given us. Without Jesus we wouldn't be able to someday live with God in heaven. But all gifts have to be accepted and opened, I wonder if you will open your life up to Jesus – the best gift of all?

#### Free play suggestion:

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- Have stockings which they fill with toys, toys they would like or toys their friend might like.

I wonder which toys you would like - why?



##### Link with book:

- Have a nativity set where the story could be told.



I wonder which character would they like to be in the nativity story – why?

#### Craft ideas:

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- Make gift tags.

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- Create a Christmas tree decoration that may get used for years and years

- Make a cone angel.

I wonder which is the best gift you have been given.



**Faith in action:** As you open your gifts on Christmas Day – remember that it is Jesus' birthday – He's the best gift of all. Talk about this with all your family.