

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

## Scripture

Luke 1:26-33,51-55; 2:4-7

## Session Summary

After more than four hundred years of silence, God's people must have doubted that He had remembered them. Promises looked to be broken. His people seemed to be abandoned. Yet all along, God was working. And at the fullness of time, a merciful Father initiated His rescue plan at just the right time, in just the right place, and delivered His people from the bondage of sin and penalty of death.

## Conversation Questions

- Has our family ever experienced a plan of God that we didn't understand at the time? How do we see that He was working in the background?
- How can we be encouraged by the when and how of when Jesus was born?
- What are some ways we need to show humility like Jesus?
- How has our family experienced sacrifice and surrender while following Jesus?

## Family Challenge

Pick out a recipe that your family can bake from scratch. It could be a cake or cookies, whatever your family likes! As you mix together the ingredients and wait for the delicious item to be baked, talk about how the timing of baking is key. If you bring it out too early, the item could be too doughy. If you leave it in too long, it could burn. Relate this to how God knew the perfect timing and the perfect way to bring Jesus as Savior into the world. No one expected Him to arrive when and how He did, but it was all a part of God's perfect plan.