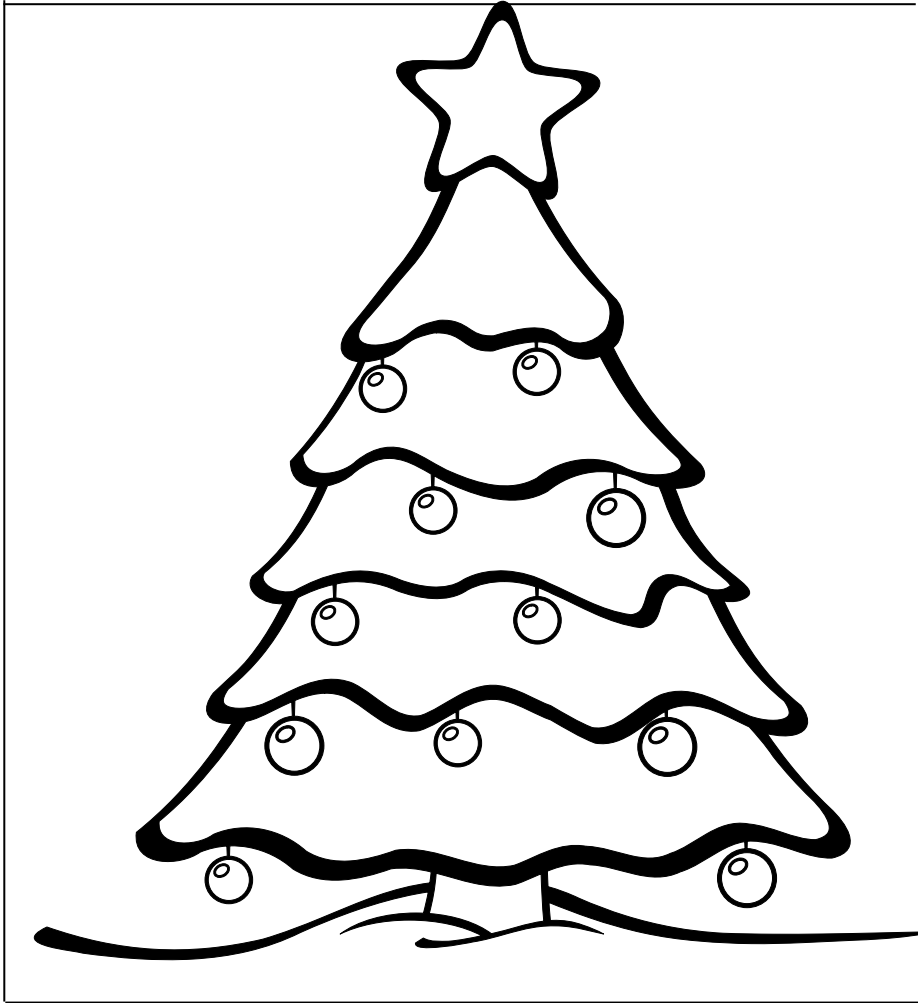


## Thankfulness Tree



**Colour** the Christmas Thankfulness Tree and decorate it with things for which you are thankful to God this year. (Example: family, friends, health, etc.). Write them on the circles hanging on the tree.

**PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, I believe that You are the One, True God. You were born on earth and bore the cross to save me from sin. You rose again on the third day to help me receive eternal life. Thank You Lord, Amen.

**Merry Christmas! Happy New Year 2023!**

# The Story of Christmas



Colour the Picture

About 2,000 years ago, Jesus, the Son of God, was born in a little town of Bethlehem.

Mary was a young lady engaged to marry Joseph. One day, Gabriel angel appeared to Mary and said, "Peace be with you. You will be blessed with a Baby Boy by the Holy Spirit. You will call him JESUS".

At this time, Mary and Joseph had to travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem to register their names in the census. They travelled on a donkey to Bethlehem. But they did not have any place to rest. All the guest rooms were occupied. Hence, Jesus, the Son of God, was born in a stable in Bethlehem.

At this time, shepherds were looking after their sheep in the hills. Suddenly an angel appeared before them and said, "I bring good news for you and everyone. A Savior is born for you. You will find the baby lying in a manger". A host of angels appeared and sang, "Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all on earth".

Three Wise Men from the East saw a bright star in the sky. They followed the star, because they had read that a great king will be born when that star appeared. They brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to worship the King.

The birth of Jesus is celebrated as **Christmas**.

**Christmas Celebration**



Colour the picture

**What is missing in this picture on Christmas celebration?**

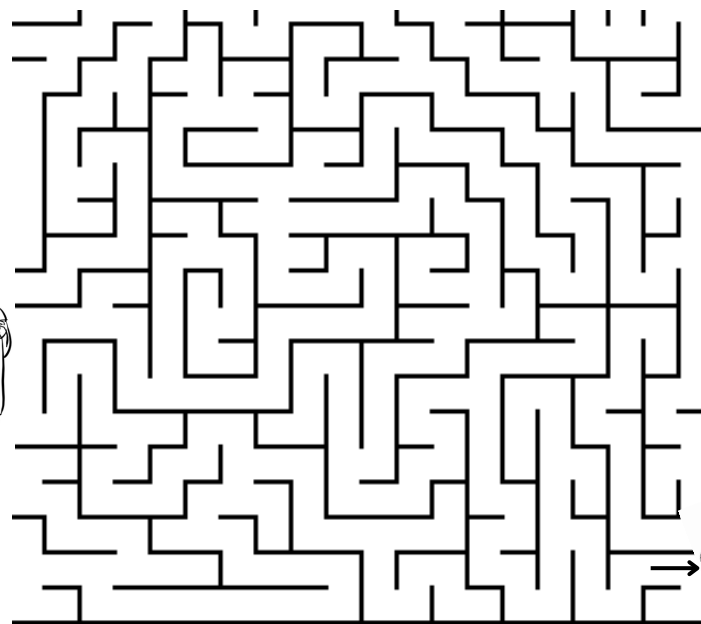
Yes! The Christmas Crib with Baby Jesus is missing. There is no Christmas if Jesus is not center-stage.

Will you give importance to **JESUS** and not **Santa**, this Christmas?

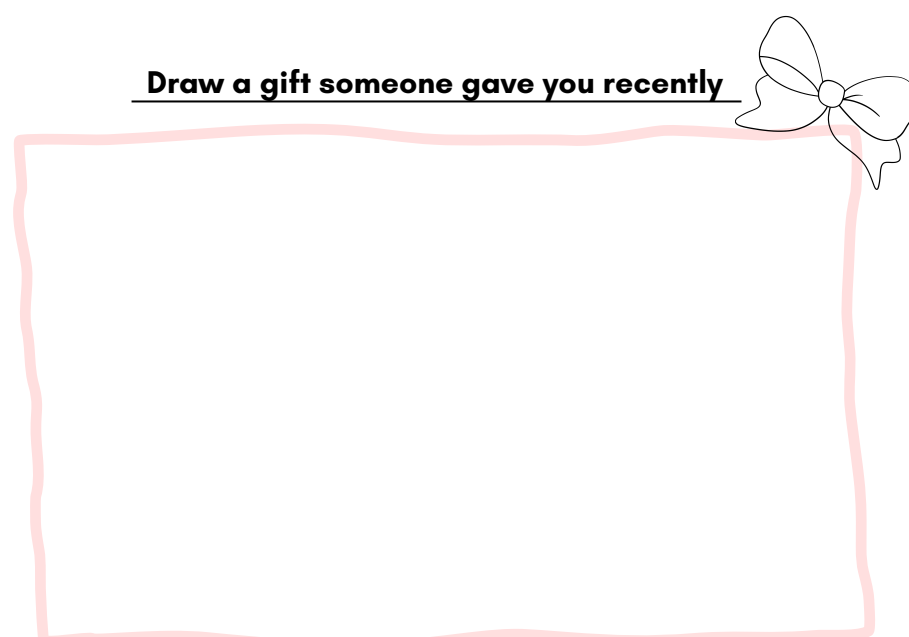
**Prophecies Mentioned in Old Testament fulfilled in the New Testament :**

1. A young virgin will give birth to God's Son (Isiah 7-14).
2. Jesus will be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5-2).
3. Jesus is from the line of King David (Jeremiah 23:5,6).
4. Jesus was also known as Immanuel (Isaiah 7-14).

**Help the Wise Men Find Baby Jesus !**



**Draw a gift someone gave you recently**



**What is YOUR GIFT to Jesus this Christmas?**

**You can ... obey your parents, tell your friends about Jesus, send a card to others, give a gift for someone in need...**