

STUDY GUIDE: “CHRISTMAS PEOPLE: Jesus”

Discussion Starters

1. Give one word to describe the baby Jesus.
2. Did Jesus soil his swaddling cloths?

Study

3. Read the following passages. What do these passages tell you about Jesus?

Matthew 1:21

Luke 2:7

Luke 2:10-11

John 1:1-14

Hebrews 4:15

4. Summarize what you learned from these passages.

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To complete the next section of the study guide, you will need to use a Bible Dictionary. Remember, the words listed below are from the NASU, but the word you are trying to define is the Greek or Hebrew word translated by the NASU—NOT the English word. If you have any questions about how to use these tools, contact your group leader or one of the pastoral staff.

5. Define the following words or terms. Note how they help you understand the meaning of the text, or if you are unable to understand the significance of the word.

--“Jesus” (Matthew 1:21)—

--“manger” (Luke 2:7)—

--“Christ” (Luke 2:11)—

--“beginning” (John 1:1)—

--“Word” (John 1:1)—

--“flesh” (John 1:14)—

--“tempted” (Hebrews 4:15)—

6. How do you explain Jesus being fully God and fully human at the same time?

7. When Jesus was tempted, was it possible for him to sin, or was his sinlessness inevitable?

Taking It Home

8. Can someone truly celebrate Christmas without believing in Jesus? Please explain.