

The Gifts of Christmas Overview Master Supply List

The Gifts of Christmas is designed to be a 4 week unit for the month of December. The last lesson ends with a challenge for the New Year to live each day as a gift of worship to God.



Each Lesson Launch begins with a humorous, fun introduction skit with Abdullah the Inn Keeper.

Abdullah is the Bethlehem Inn Keeper where Jesus was born. He is fun loving, clumsy, jolly, and animated. He is excited about the Inn and promotes and plugs it whenever possible. The skit is done following the **Rampin' Up** and just before the **Lesson Launch**.

Christmas Bulbs

The Storyteller (main teacher) tells a portion of the Christmas story during the Lesson Launch using acrylic Christmas bulbs (8 included). These bulbs open to place objects inside.

There are two Christmas tree bulbs per lesson. The objects in the bulbs are related to the Bible story. The contents are hidden to the kids and revealed as the Lesson Launch unfolds.

The bulbs are hung on the tree and remain there for review each week.

Note: Ideally you will use a medium size (4'-6' is ideal) Christmas tree that remains in the room for the duration of the unit. (I purchased an artificial 5' tree on sale for \$20 to use in our classroom)

There are four gift boxes used in the Lesson Launch that are under the tree. (There are three gifts for us and one for God). One will be opened at the end of the Lesson Launch each week.

Gift Boxes

The first 3 week's gift boxes correspond to the Pivot Verse (Memory Verse)

The objects in each box are:

1. Heart (Love)
2. Boy baby doll (Son /Jesus)
3. Bible/newspaper (Good news / Gospel)
4. Heart, watch, instrument, glove, friendship bracelet, glove, coin (Worship)

Each lesson in the Core Unit has enough content for 60-90 minutes of class time not including worship, announcements, offering, etc.)

In addition, there are four optional PACKS (Intro Skit Pack, Relay Pack, Character Skit Pack, Small Group Pack) that can be purchased and integrated into each lesson if you choose. The Packed Out version contains the core unit and all the Option Packs!

These packs are ideal for providing you with additional content and activities to stretch each lesson into a Sunday or midweek class also!

As we stated above, the lessons are designed to utilize a Christmas tree to hang the bulbs on each week and throughout the four week unit. However – if you choose NOT to use a Christmas tree – you may place the bulbs in a “bulb storage box” or gift box each week. Another idea would be to use Christmas stockings to hold the bulbs and hang them in the room.

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Lesson 1

- Christmas tree (4-6')
- construction paper of different colors
- scissors
- pencil
- optional – boxes, gift wrap, bows, ribbon, gift bags
- (All lessons for skits) Lots of keys on a big key ring, lantern, sandals, rings, belt and money pouch (bag), necklace with large medallion, turban, long flowing tunic or robe.
- Christmas tree and table or stand (all lessons)
- 2 bulbs (included)
- purple cloth
- paper
- marker
- cardstock
- wrapping paper
- 4 gift labels or tags
- heart shape balloon
- box (must be large enough to hold the inflated heart balloon)
- piece of tissue paper
- chair
- 3 additional boxes for weeks 2-4 (prepare this week and leave under tree)
- (week 2) baby doll
- (week 3) Bible, newspaper
- (week 4) heart, watch, instrument, friendship bracelet, work glove, (cardstock) hand, coin
- Christmas bulb template page (provided)
- masking tape
- cardstock (preferred) or paper
- black permanent marker
- light colored crayons
- Paper (or cardstock)
- heart pattern (provided)
- Red crayons or markers
- poster board
- blindfold (sleep mask works great)



Lesson 2

- index cards
- pencils (1 per child)
- 2 bulbs (included)
- pacifier
- straw/hay
- gift boxes for all weeks (assembled in week 1)
- piece of tissue paper
- scissors
- Christmas bulb template page (provided)
- masking tape
- cardstock (preferred) or paper
- black permanent marker
- light colored crayons
- craft sticks
- blocks
- dominoes (any building material)
- dark cloths like hand towels and rags
- stones or rocks



Lesson 3

- angel wing template (provided)
- paper
- scissors
- marker
- tape
- optional: newspaper, cell phone, letter, radio, laptop
- toy sheep
- cross (can be a small metal, wood, or plastic jewelry piece or made from cardstock)
- 2 bulbs (included)
- gift boxes for all weeks (from lesson 1)
- piece of tissue paper
- Christmas bulb template page (provided)
- masking tape
- cardstock (preferred) or paper
- black permanent marker
- light colored crayons
- paper (preferably recycled)
- cellophane tape
- 4 medium size boxes
- masking tape
- newspaper
- Bible



Lesson 4

- Play-Doh
- table
- chairs
- optional: musical instruments, sheet music, microphone
- gold coins
- magnifying glass (included)
- 2 bulbs (included)
- gift boxes for all weeks
- piece of tissue paper
- paper (adding machine tape would be ideal)
- pen
- Christmas bulb template page (provided)
- masking tape
- cardstock (preferred) or paper
- black permanent marker
- light colored crayons
- balloons
- paper
- pen
- scissors

