



THE LOST STAR



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It's the nativity story, but not as we know it. The Christmas star has gone missing and it's causing a bit of chaos. Watch our 'The Lost Star' Christmas video and spend some time thinking about what makes the Christmas star so important.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- > The Lost Star Video
- > 10 Objects (i.e. beanbag, bottle top, coin etc)

GET INTO THE BIBLE: THE LOST STAR

THEME: MY BIBLE ADVENTURE



LEADER PREPARATION

A leader will need to hide 8-10 objects around your meeting space before the children arrive. You'll also need to make sure you've got access to the video and a means of showing this to the group, including sound.



[Download The Lost Star Video](#)



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Find Me

- 1 Start by playing a game of 'Find Me'. A leader will need to hide 8-10 objects around your meeting space. This could be items such as a beanbag, bottle top, coin, battery etc.
- 2 Split into two or more teams. For each round, teams should nominate someone to play. A leader should call out one of the items and then it becomes a race between the teams to find the item first. Which team can find the most objects by the end of the game?
- 3 Finally ask teams to find the Star of Bethlehem, however do not hide a star.
- 4 After a short while let everyone join in the hunt to find the star. Tell them it must be out there somewhere and suggest there is a big prize for anyone who can find it.
- 5 After a few minutes, declare that the star must be lost and bring everyone back together.

The Lost Star

- 1 Ask the group what impact the Star of Bethlehem getting lost during the Nativity would have had? What would have happened? What was the role of the star and why was it important?
- 2 Share the video of 'The Lost Star' from <https://boys-brigade.org.uk/programme/videos>
- 3 The story ends with it telling us that **"Jesus lives on like star shining bright. To protect and to guide us, to light up the way, for the birth of that baby is still important today"**.
- 4 Jesus may have been born over 2,000 years ago, but the light that he created by coming into our world, still lives in all of us today. How special is that!
- 5 Will you let the true meaning of Christmas get lost, or will you take time to follow the light from the Star of Bethlehem and remember about the baby it shone above all those years ago?



IDEAS TO TAKE THIS FURTHER...

Put on 'The Lost Star' Nativity, using our script, based around the video. This can be found under **The Lost Star** Themed Programme (Anchors).



KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Provide children with boundaries before playing the find me game, so everyone knows where they can / can't go. Make sure items are hidden within easy reach for children.