Take-home note

Love: Mary says yes · Luke 1:26–38

Today in Sunday school

Today was the fourth Sunday of Advent, when many churches light the candle of love. Your child heard how the angel Gabriel visited Mary in Nazareth (Luke 1:26–38). Gabriel told Mary not to be afraid, because God loved her and had chosen her to be the mother of Jesus. Mary said yes. In Jesus, God's love came close to us all.

Talk about it

- How do you think Mary felt when the angel came?
- What is the best message you have ever gotten?
- How can we share God's love this Christmas?

Try this at home

Write short love notes to each other this week, such as "I'm glad you're you" or "Thank you for helping me," and hide them for someone to find. Set the message angel near your nativity set or on your table.

Pray together

Dear God, thank you for loving us so much that you came to be with us in Jesus. Help us say yes to your love. Amen.

Memory verse
"Don't be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God." (Luke 1:30)