

WEEK 1

SMALL GROUP GUIDE



BIG IDEA

Jesus is God's plan.

BIBLE

An Angel Appears to Zechariah:
Luke 1:5-25; Isaiah 11:1-5

QUESTIONS

- What message did the angel have for Zechariah?
- How did Zechariah respond?
- What did the angel say would happen because Zechariah didn't trust right away?
- Read Isaiah 11:1–2. Who is this "branch" from Jesse that the passage is talking about?
- Do you like to plan or do you like to be spontaneous? Do you think one is better than the other?
- How do you know God planned to send Jesus long before Jesus was born?
- What does it mean for us that Jesus is God's plan?

ACTIVITY

Give each kid an angel ornament cutout and have them sketch and then color their own urban angels. Invite kids to think creatively and make them as hip and unconventional as they'd like. Scan QR codes for some examples of modern angel art for inspiration.



You're probably used to seeing angels the way they're pictured in a book or on TV. The kinds of angels that exist are probably so much different than any of us could imagine. They may even take the shape of people like you and me!

Let's make our own urban angels to remind us God watches over our city just as much as when Gabriel was sent to Zechariah to let him know that **Jesus is God's plan!**



MEMORY VERSE: "But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.'" — Luke 2:10 (NIV)

[Click here](#) for a memory verse sign language tutorial video you can share with your families and volunteers!

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