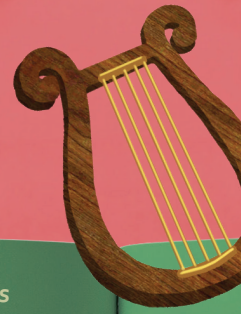


# JOY!

## GETTY KIDS DEVOTIONAL

25-DAY ADVENT DEVOTIONAL



### DAY 13

Jesus laid in a lowly manger, facing a world of dangers  
Come to turn me a stranger into a child of God

*"See what great love the Father has  
lavished on us, that we should be called  
children of God! And that is what we are!"*

1 JOHN 3:3

From the very beginning there were those who tried to stop people seeing and hearing the Lord Jesus. His parents would have to run away to Egypt when He was a baby to protect him from the wickedness of King Herod. Big and small Jesus faced all the things we do. Jesus came down to rescue us from the dangers and put us in the safety of His family.

My mum tells a story of when I was little and she was waiting for me to walk up from school like she did every day. But I must have walked by her and she didn't see me. It was raining and she found me banging on our back door shouting for her to let me in! I can't remember this at all. All I can remember is the mommy who always let me in. We do not need to stay as strangers to the Lord but are invited in as His friends, as His family—only He can open the door but He does to all of us who come to Him.

→ How do we become part of God's family?

→ *Father in Heaven,  
Thank you for opening the door to us and making us  
your children. May you give us courage as you are  
with us through every danger,*

*In Jesus name  
Amen*

