GETTY KIDS DEVOTIONAL 25-DAY ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

While fields and floods, rocks hills DAY 21 While fields and floods, rocks hills and plains repeat the sounding joy

> "...the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices... "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!...Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

> > LUKE 19:37-40

Il the things that God has made show and tell His great power. The sky that reaches further than anyone can see. The song the crickets make when they rub their little wings together. The great splashing sound of a waterfall rushing down a mountain side.

Luke 19 tells us about a time when Jesus' disciples were shouting out praises to Him. There were some who were angry as they didn't believe He was the Son of God. They tried to stop it! But Jesus said 'If they keep quiet the stones will cry out!'

He has made you to sing. Even if your voice doesn't seem very good to you He has given you a voice to praise Him! He doesn't need us to-the rocks could cry out in praise! But it is amazing that He wants us to and that we can. It is a great privilege, a very special gift that He has given to us. We join with all the sounds and songs of creation to praise Him.

When we learn a new song or a Bible verse we learn it by repeating it over and over again don't we? Then we don't forget it. The fields and mountains and rocks remind us over and over again that the Lord is Creator and Joy of the world. We are to keep repeating it too as we sing! Singing helps us to remember.

Father in Heaven,

Thank you for creating us to sing! As we praise You may we remember again and again all the great things You have done.

In Jesus name Amen