



JOY!

GETTY KIDS DEVOTIONAL

25-DAY ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

DAY 2 Joy has dawned upon the world, promised from creation God's salvation now unfurled, hope for every nation

"In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God...In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

JOHN 1:1, 4 & 5

Do you find it hard to sleep on Christmas Eve? It's dark and you just can't wait for the morning! I still find it hard to sleep on Christmas Eve because I'm so excited!

Before the very first day there ever was it was dark. The earth had not been made yet. Then God said, "let there be light" and there was! And it was sparkling without a smudge. The earth was completely safe and there was nothing to fear.

When Adam and Eve disobeyed God sin and fear and trouble came into the world like a dark shadow. For thousands of years people waited for God to rescue them, to take away the darkness. Then suddenly like the sun rising in the sky Jesus came into the world.

The story of Christmas is the greatest rescue story—God comes to save us. The word "unfurled" means spread out the way a flag spreads out in the wind for all to see. God sent Jesus for everyone to see and no longer stay in the dark. We do not need to be afraid or hide away from Him. We can be even more excited for the morning to come because of the greatest gift Christmas brings to us—Our Savior, the light of the world, has come!

➔ **What does light do? How does this help us understand Jesus as the Light of the world?**

➔ *Father in heaven,
Thank you for sending the Lord Jesus to us, the light of the world.
Help me remember that you are always with us through every
night and day,
In Jesus' name,
Amen*

