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Sometimes it's hard for young children to focus on gospel lessons and really understand who is doing what. This interactive nativity scavenger hunt is a good way to get them involved in the story. And hopefully, it will help them better remember everyone involved.

**MATERIALS:** A nativity scene you would be comfortable with your kids handling, slips of paper with clues (found on next page), and a nativity book or scriptures

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Set up the nativity scene. Print off the following page and cut out clue cards.
2. Read the nativity story from a children's book or the scriptures (Luke 2 and Matthew 2) with your family. As you go, make sure you point out the individual people in the scene as they come up in the story.
3. Have the children go into a separate room while you hide the nativity pieces around the house.
4. Have the children come back out and let them pick one slip of paper. Each slip of paper will describe someone in the nativity and give your kids a clue as to where they can be found in the house (a printable version of these can be found below or you can make your own if you wish).
5. Once the kids have found the nativity piece, briefly discuss who that person is and place them back where they belong in the nativity scene.
6. Continue until all of the nativity pieces have been found and returned to the nativity scene.

I AM THE MOTHER  
OF JESUS. I WAS TOLD  
BY THE ANGEL GABRIEL  
THAT I WOULD GIVE  
BIRTH TO THE  
SON OF GOD.  
WHO AM I?

(I can be found in the kitchen)

I AM MARY'S HUSBAND.  
I WORK AS A  
CARPENTER.  
WHO AM I?

(I can be found in the  
dining room)

I AM THE SON OF GOD  
WHO WAS BORN IN A  
STABLE. WHO AM I?

(I can be found in the  
living room)

I AM A MESSENGER  
OF THE LORD. I CAME TO  
MARY AND TOLD HER  
THAT SHE WOULD BE  
THE MOTHER OF JESUS.  
WHO AM I?

(I can be found in the pantry)

I WATCH OVER SHEEP  
IN MY FIELD. I CAME  
TO VISIT JESUS AFTER  
AN ANGEL TOLD ME  
HE HAD BEEN BORN.  
WHO AM I?

(I can be found in  
the bathroom)

WE WERE SENT HERE  
BY HEROD TO FIND JESUS.  
WE FOLLOWED THE STAR  
AND BROUGHT BABY  
JESUS GIFTS.  
WHO ARE WE?

(We can be found in  
the laundry room)