

Advent 2: Prophets

1. Good News

How would you tell someone the good news about Jesus? What words would you use? What pictures would you draw? What would you tell them?

You will need: clean, empty plastic bottles; paper, pens, stickers and decorations.

Give each child a bottle and some paper. Talk about how a good message makes you feel. It could come in a letter, email or text message. Ask the children when they last received a message like this.

Invite the children to think about what they would tell someone about Jesus. What is the good news? How would you tell it? How do you want them to feel?

Ask everyone to place their message in a bottle, and then to decorate their bottles using stickers and other decorations.

2. Signs of the Times

Make a sign to think about the good news that Jesus brings

You will need: sheet of A4 paper or card, pens/pencils/crayons/paints

Mark is getting us ready for the good news that Jesus will bring. Ask the children what good news Jesus has brought to them.

Give each child a piece of card and ask them to design a sign that tells people in a few words the good news of having Jesus in their life. It might be that Jesus makes them feel safe or loved, or that they have been forgiven. Encourage the children to make their personal sign really colourful and bright.

Finish by talking about how our lives should be like signs too...

3. How well do you know your Prophets?

Unscramble the anagrams to find all the prophets of the Old Testament! Use a Bible to help you – if you need it...

1. Hi Asia
2. Ahem Jeri
3. Like Zee
4. Nailed
5. A Shoe
6. El Jo
7. So Am
8. Aida Hob
9. A John

10. Hi Mac
11. Human
12. Bub Hakka
13. Aha Zen Hip
14. Gig Aah
15. Haze Chair
16. Hail Clam

4. Images of John the Baptist

Which do you like best? Why?







