GIVE ATHOME SAY THIS:

Who is God's son? Jesus is God's Son!

God loves us so much he sent Jesus so we could have a forever relationship with him. Jesus is God's greatest gift to us—His BIG GIVE—He showed us how to love, serve and be a friend to others. This placemat is a fun and interactive way to talk about how your preschooler can do the BIG GIVE at home.

 MEMORY VERSE WITH MOTIONS
 "God
 loved the world so much
 that he gave
 his only Son."
 John 3:16

 Point up
 Hug yourself
 Hands out with palms up
 Rock arms like a baby
 Open hands like a book

JESUS IS

GOD'S SON

WHY IS JESUS

SPECIAL?

USE CRAYONS OR MARKERS TO DRAW YOUR FAVORITE PART OF CHRISTMAS

JESUS WANTS TO BE

MY FRIEND FOREVER!

PARENT TALK

Week 1: Tell your child the story of when they were born. Then, tell them the story of when Jesus was born. "Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem. There were no guest rooms so baby Jesus was born in a stable. Mary laid Jesus in a manger, and the shepherds came to see Him, and the Wise Men came to worship Him. Jesus is God's greatest gift!"

Week 2: Play a game where you look for stars in Christmas decorations. Every time someone sees a star, say, "Jesus is God's Son" together.

Week 3: Pray this with your child: "God, this time of year can get so busy. Help us slow down and remember the good news that You gave us Your Son, Jesus, and that is what Christmas is all about."

Week 4: Play Christmas praise music and have a Happy Birthday Jesus dance party: "Merry Christmas, [child's name]! It's Jesus' birthday!"

USE CRAYONS OR MARKERS. DRAW A LINE TO MATCH DIFFERENT THINGS THAT HELP US SHARE THE GIFT OF JESUS WITH OTHER PEOPLE.

PARENT TALK

Jesus teaches us that when we help others that don't have much, we are helping Him! He loves it when we help and give others the gift of friendship—it makes a difference in their lives!

Explain to your child how each of these items help share Jesus— God's Greatest Gift—with others. (Matthew 25:31-41) Discuss how we love getting presents at Christmas time, and how we can do something special for Jesus since we celebrate his birthday. Brainstorm ideas.