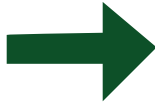




Advent HOPE

START HERE



ACTIVITY

Stocking Surprise

What You Need:

Christmas stocking, small Christmas-related items (some suggestions are a jingle bell, Christmas bow for wrapping, candy cane, jewelry gift box, ornament, toy animal etc.), ribbon to close the stocking, timer, paper, and pencils

What You Do:

- Form two teams.
- Give a piece of paper and a pencil to each team.
- Hold up the stocking to show that it is filled with Christmas-y things.
- The object of the game is to feel the stocking and to try to guess as many items as they can before the timer goes off.
- Set the timer for 30 seconds and give the stocking to the first team.
- Team 1 has 30 seconds to feel the stocking (no opening it!) and write down what they think is in it.
- When the timer goes off, the next team gets a chance to guess.
- Now Team 2 has 30 seconds to feel the stocking and guess what is inside.
- After both teams have gone, they can share their guesses.
- Then, open the stocking and show everyone what items are inside.

READ

Genesis 3:15, Isaiah 9:6-7,
Jeremiah 33:14-16

WATCH

Hope—Week 1 at
hcbc.com/childrens-online



DISCUSS

God always keeps His promises to us, even when it takes a long time because He is completely trustworthy! Take some time as a family to talk about times you each kept (or didn't keep) a promise.

- How did it make you and the other person feel when you kept or didn't keep the promise?
- How does it make you feel that God will always keep His promises?

PRAY

Pray that every day this month, you can remember God and thank Him for all the amazing things He has done.



 **SING**
Come Thou Long
Expected Jesus