Discussion Questions Course 303-2

Large Group

- 1. Why is John called "the Baptist"?
- 2. Is John the Baptist the same person as the man who wrote the book of John in the Bible?
- 3. What is the name of the angel in the story?
- 4. Gabriel brought messages from God to two people in our story. What are their names?
- 5. How were Elizabeth and Mary related?
- 6 If you were here last time, why did Joy and Chris take an unexpected ride down the stairs on Gizmo's back?
- 7. Imagine being Zechariah or Mary when the angel Gabriel appeared. Do you think you would be scared or excited?
- 8. When you pray, do you believe God hears you sometimes, or all the time; why?
- 9. Why do you think that God sent Gabriel to announce both births?

Small Group

Game

- 1. The SuperTruth says "God's Word never fails." What do you think fail means?
- 2. In our Bible story, God's Word was spoken. Who was God's messenger?
- 3. When God's Word was spoken, what were the results? Was the Word true?

Teaching

- 1. Have you ever said you would do something but failed to do it?
- 2. Sometimes we simply forget, run out of time, or discover that we don't have the money or ability to do something we wanted to do. Has that ever happened to God?
- 3. God's Word is not an "it"—God's Word is a person. Can you guess who?
- 4. Who is God's Word?

Discipleship Challenge

- 1. What kinds of things did you praise God for?
- 2. Would anyone like to share something that you prayed about?
- 3. Can someone tell us how God answered one of your prayers?

SuperVerse

1. Elizabeth spoke these SuperVerse words to Mary when she visited. Now, what promise was Elizabeth talking about? Do you know the promise that Mary believed?

Additional Activities

Details Game

1. Luke wrote the book of Luke in the Bible. He also wrote another book of the Bible. Does anyone know which one?

Object Lesson

1. There is a date on this container. Can someone say what that date is called?

Craft

1. How did Zechariah tell everyone what the baby should be named?

Bible Study

Isaiah 55:10-11

- 1. In verse 10, why does God provide the rain and snow?
- 2. In verse 11, what is compared to the rain and snow?
- 3. When God's Word is sent out, does it ever fail to do what God wants?
- 4. What do you think the fruit is in verse 11?
- 5. In verse 11, which words make it clear that God's Word never fails?

Psalm 119:89-91

- 1. In verse 89, what does eternal mean to you?
- 2. In verse 90, a generation is a group of people who were born and live during the same time. For example, a father is one generation, and his son is another generation. So how many generations does God's faithfulness apply to; when does it fail?
- 3. In verse 91, the writer says that God's laws, regulations, or Word last until when?
- 4. In verse 91, would you say that God's Word remains true until today, and why?

Psalm 119:151-152

- 1. What did the psalm writer know since being young?
- 2. In verse 151, what word means that God's commands are in effect or valid?
- 3. Why is it a benefit for you and others to know God's Word at a young age?