

Colour the shepherds and their sheep as they smile with joy at the birth of King Jesus.



Today we are in Luke's Gospel. Baby Jesus had been born. Who was going to meet Him?

The Strong King Announced

An angel appeared to some

shepherds in a field and told them the good news.

The word 'gospel' means good news. It was used when a new ruler was announced. The angels were announcing a new ruler. A King! ... It was King Jesus!

This was God's great king who had come to save His people from sin and death.

The Weak King in the Stable

When the shepherds went to see

Jesus they found him in a

manger (that's a box that animals eat food out of).

That doesn't seem like a place for a king!

Jesus had been born into a poor family. He didn't seem like the strong king the angels had announced.

King Jesus' Victory came in Weakness

The shepherds might have been confused. How could baby Jesus be the King God had

promised?

But... one day, Jesus would grow up and

defeat sin and death. Jesus would save His people by dying for them... for us!

The Response

The Shepherds glorified and praised God after meeting Jesus.

God sent King Jesus to die for us so that we could be free from sin and death.

That should make us praise God too.

Ask your grown up to pray with you. Ask God to help you to understand the Christmas story and to praise God for sending Jesus to save His people.

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