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Elizabeth and Zechariah – Luke 1:5-25

There was an elderly couple who had been married for a very long time. But they had no children. Their names were Elizabeth and Zechariah.

Zechariah was a priest. He worked in the temple where the people came to worship God.

Zechariah was working in the temple. Suddenly, a mysterious stranger appeared! It was an angel.

The angel had a special message for Zechariah. "Don't be afraid," the angel said. "God has heard your prayers for a baby. Your wife, Elizabeth, will have a baby boy. Name him John."

But how could this be? Zechariah and Elizabeth were very old. Zechariah didn't believe it could be true.

The angel said, "Because you don't believe, you must be silent until the baby is born."



People were waiting for Zechariah. Why was he still in the temple? When he came out, he could not speak.

They realized he had seen a vision in the temple. Later, Elizabeth became pregnant.

Elizabeth said, "The Lord has done this for me. God has shown me favor."

When the baby was born, they named him John.

FAMILY SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

BIBLE PASSAGE: Luke 1

Wonder: After reading the Bible story from the Bible or from the *Celebrate Wonder Bible Storybook*, wonder together. **Ask:** What brings you hope?

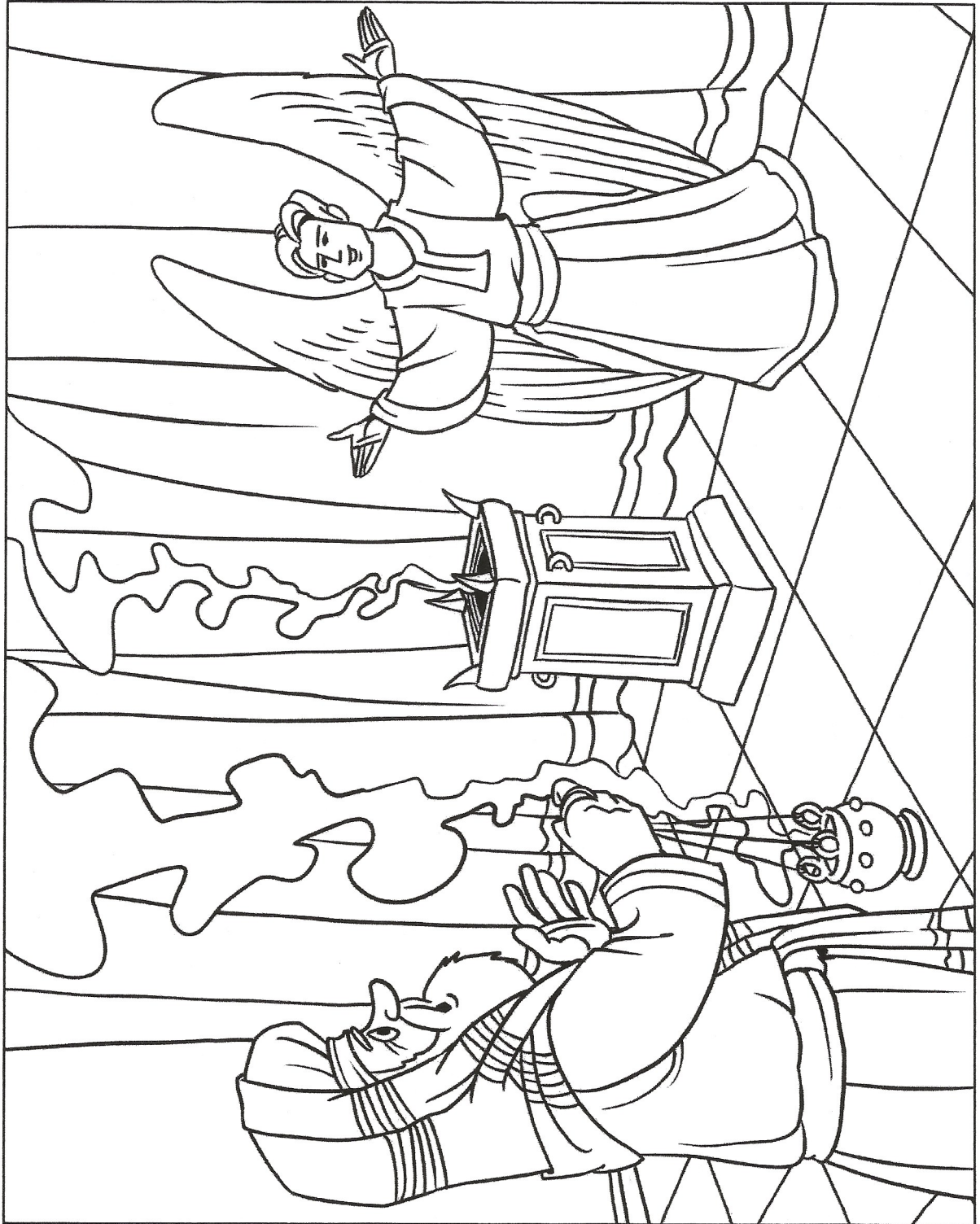
Do: This is the first week of Advent. Light one candle and pray together.

Pray: Dear God, we wait in wonder for the coming of Christ. Amen.

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Elizabeth and Zechariah – Coloring Page

Zechariah was working in the temple. Suddenly, an angel appeared with a message for Zechariah. He and Elizabeth were going to have a baby! Color the picture.



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Hidden Pictures – Puzzle

Zechariah was working in the temple when an angel appeared with a message. But some items don't belong in the story. Can you find those items?



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