

**Theme**

Gods Protection

**Object**

A Bible

**Scripture**

Matthews 2:12-23

Have you ever heard the song, "Angels Watching Over Me?" It is a beautiful Black Spiritual which tells about how God sends his angels to watch over us. No one knows who wrote the song, but it is believed to have originated in the southern part of the United States during the days of slavery. The song goes like this: (Sing it, if possible.)

*"All night, all day,  
Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
All night, all day,  
Angels watching over me.  
Sun is a-setting in the west;  
Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
Sleep my child, take your rest;  
Angels watching over me".*

When Jesus was born, Herod was King. When he heard about the birth of Jesus, he thought that Jesus had come to set up a kingdom here on earth and he was not at all happy about that. He tried to find out where Jesus was so that he could kill him. An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and warned him of the danger. "Get up! Flee to Egypt with the child and his mother," the angel said. "Stay there until I tell you to return, because Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." That night Joseph left for Egypt with Jesus and Mary. They stayed there until Herod died.

When Herod died, God's angel spoke to Joseph in a dream again. "Get up, take the child and his mother and return to Israel. All who were out to kill the child are dead."

Isn't it wonderful that God sent angels to watch over his infant son and protect him from harm? Well, God loves all of his children. He loves you and me and he sends angels to watch over us. In Psalm 91, the Bible says:

*Evil can't get close to you,  
harm can't get through the door.  
He ordered his angels  
to guard you wherever you go.  
If you stumble, they'll catch you;  
their job is to keep you from falling.  
(Psalm 91:11-12 - The Message)*

I'm glad that we have God's angels watching over us as we walk – even in dangerous places. Be thankful that God's angels are watching over you today!  
(Sing) "All night, all day, angels watching over me, my Lord. All night, all day, angels watching over me, my Lord.

**Prayer of the Day:**

Father, we thank you for your love and protection. Amen.

Escape to Egypt  
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## Angels watching over me Jumbled

### Angels Watching Over Me

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When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." Matthew 2:13 (NIV)



Complete the activity.

*The letters of the words below are jumbled. Figure out what the word is and write it on the blank line provided. Clues are provided in case you need help and all words can be found in the Bible verse above.*

1. GHITN \_\_\_\_\_
2. EPSJHO \_\_\_\_\_
3. HLICD \_\_\_\_\_
4. GEPYT \_\_\_\_\_
5. EMRDA \_\_\_\_\_

1. The part of every twenty-four hours when it is dark.
2. The earthly father of Jesus.
3. A very young person.
4. The country to which Joseph, Mary, and Jesus fled for safety.
5. A vision which we have when we are asleep.

## Sunday School Crafts Activities: "Nazareth House" Fold Craft

**Key theme:** Jesus grew up where God planned.



### Materials

- Paper
- Crayons
- Glue

### How to Make It

1. Fold paper in half to make a **house shape**.
2. On the outside, draw a house and write:  
**"Nazareth"**
3. Inside the house, draw:
  - Joseph
  - Mary
  - Jesus
4. Say together:  
💡 *"God had a plan for Jesus."*
5. Have children hold up their craft and repeat:  
**"God guides and protects me."**