## ONE CONVERSATION

*Parents:* *If you asked several random people at your workplace or in your community to share with you who Jesus is, what kinds of answers do you think you would get? Some would likely say that Jesus was a great man or even that He had lots of helpful things to say. They might identify with particular teachings of His that they think are admirable—don't judge (Matt. 7:1) or love your enemies (Matt. 5:44). Before Jesus was born, God sent the angel Gabriel to Mary to tell her exactly who Jesus would be. As we look at this divine declaration about Jesus in Luke 1, we will see that while Jesus certainly was a great man and a great teacher, He is much more than those things. It is crucial we know who Jesus is because it is only when we know Him rightly that we will celebrate and prioritize Him appropriately. Jesus is worthy of utmost celebration because He is our Savior, God, and King.*

*Share about your own gratefulness for our Savior and how this leads you to a life of humility and service. We all have a tendency to become self-centered, so discuss ways that we can fight against this tendency and strive to serve others and show them Christ's love.*

## CENTRAL TRUTH

*Jesus is worthy of full devotion—He is our Savior, God, and King.*

## PERSONAL CHALLENGE

> **Dwell:** Read Philippians 2:1-11 and Colossians 1:15-21. Then make a list of everything these passages tell us about who Jesus is and what He came to do. When you are finished, journal a prayer of praise to God thanking Him for sending us the perfect Savior.

> **Memorize:** Luke 1:32-33

> **Pray:** Thank God for loving us so much that He willingly took on flesh in order to dwell among us, serve us, die for us, and ultimately rise victoriously for us. Pray that the example Christ gave us of humble self-sacrifice would empower us to take authentic steps toward living fully and passionately on mission for Him. Ask God to help you to redirect the focus of your life away from yourself and to the praise, glory, and fame of Jesus Christ.