Day 3  
Son of God

*The angel answered Mary....the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. Luke 1:35*

Every baby is very special. Perhaps you can ask your parents how they felt when you were born.

There is something extra special about the baby Mary was expecting. It was her baby, born like all babies are born. But this baby wasn’t only the son of Mary, he was also the Son of God.

This baby had lived before he was born as a baby. Not just for the time when he was growing inside Mary, but even before that. In fact, he was alive from the beginning of time. He had always been the majestic, glorious Son of God. But now he was coming to earth as a human baby, who needed to be cared for and looked after.

Imagine! The Son of God who had lived forever, who was right there at the beginning of the whole world, who was worshipped by all the angels, now cried and was hungry and did a poo like every other baby.

When you see a picture of the baby in a manger in the Christmas stories, it’s easy to only think of a cute little baby. But Mary’s baby was also the Son of God. It’s very hard to hold these two things together in our heads. But that’s the kind of God we read about in the Bible. One who is full of majesty and splendor, but also willing to be humble and seen as very ordinary.

What do you think Mary thought when the angel told her that her baby would also be called the Son of God?

Perhaps she couldn’t understand how it worked, but she knew God. So, she was prepared to say to God ‘I’m willing to be your servant’.