



## The Inn

"And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And ... there was no room for them in the inn" (Luke 2:6-7).

Noise echoed through the narrow streets of Bethlehem. Coins jangled as people shopped for food and supplies. Animals bleated and brayed as their owners led them along. Bethlehem was crowded! Many people had come to be counted for the census.

Some travelers stayed with relatives. Many travelers stayed at inns and guest rooms. These places had open areas that everyone shared. But they would not be the best place for a baby to be born. Besides, they were all full of people. There was no room for Mary and Joseph.

It was time for Mary to have her baby. Where could the baby be born?

the sound of sheep and donkeys



you busy—school, family time, sports, and music or dance lessons! Sometimes there doesn't seem to be enough time in the day to do everything. The inn was so crowded that there wasn't room inside for Jesus to be born. How can you make room in your day to feel close to Christ? Study the scriptures, pray, and serve others. Jesus Christ will always make room for you!