

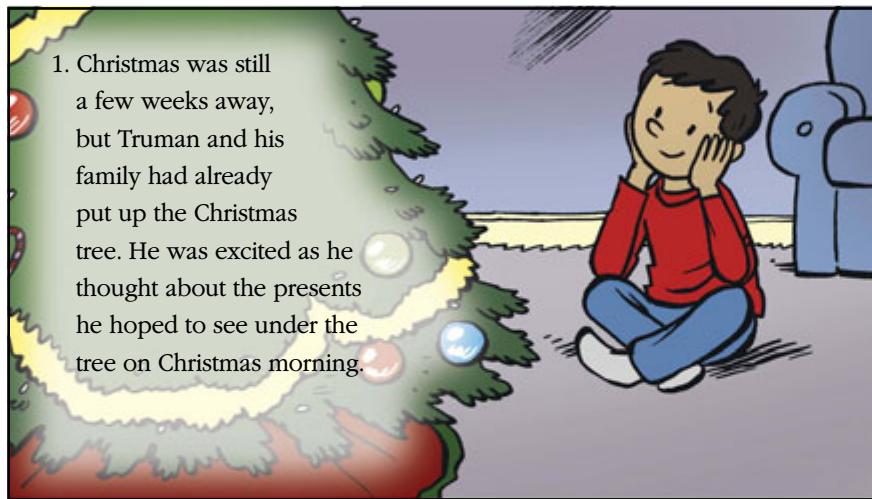
THE FIRST CHRISTMAS GIFT

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*“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son”
(John 3:16).*

Based on a true story



3. Truman was confused.



2. A few days later Truman walked into the living room and saw there was one small box under the tree. It was wrapped in red paper and tied with a green bow.



4. As days passed, more presents appeared under the tree, but Truman kept wondering about that first red present with the green bow. Where did it come from?



HELPS FOR PARENTS

You could find a box and place items inside that will help you and your family remember Jesus Christ's birth. Consider including items such as poems, pictures, paper stars, a toy sheep, an angel ornament, or any other item you think will help remind your children of the Lord's birth. Wrap the gift and open it on Christmas.

5. On Christmas morning, Truman raced to wake up his brothers and parents.



6. After arriving at the tree, Truman was excited to see the presents underneath it.



Truman was excited to finally see what was inside.

7. Truman removed the lid and found a few small items. He pulled them out one at a time—a picture of Jesus Christ, a poem about Jesus's birth, and a star. Truman showed everyone the picture, and Dad read the poem.



I put the box under the tree so we could remember why we celebrate Christmas.

8. Truman was happy to remember Jesus.



Dad, you put the box under the tree, but now I know who really gave us this gift.

Who?

Heavenly Father.

FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Christmas Service

Temple Square is a beautiful place to visit—especially during the Christmas season.

The people on Temple Square are getting in the Christmas spirit by serving one another. All of the scenes in the small circles are included in the big picture.

Find and circle each scene. Can you find other acts of kindness in the picture?

