EPISODE 2

TODAY'S TRUTH

Christmas reminds me that I share His light.

SCRIPTURE

"So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." (Genesis 1:27).

SUPPLY LIST

Bible Tin Foil Age-appropriate scissors, optional String Flashlight Pencil/something to write with

FIRST THINGS FIRST Activity

- Talk with your camper(s) about the super shiny ornaments Leslie was putting on the tree. Ask if anyone has a favorite ornament that they like putting on the tree?
- Make super shiny ornaments for your family Christmas tree.
- Be sure everyone has a piece of tin foil, something to write with, and scissors.
- On the tin foil, each of you may choose to draw a star or other shape and cut it out; or you may simply want to fold your tinfoil into a shape.
- When each ornament is finished, make a small hole in the top and run a string through it and then tie the string.
- As each family member holds their ornament up, shine your flashlight onto it.
- If you have your Christmas tree up, you may hang your super shiny ornaments on the tree. If not, you can keep them somewhere safe until you're ready to hang them.

Connect the Activity

- Talk about why the ornaments got super-shiny [The tinfoil was shiny, but they got super-shiny when the light hit them. The closer to the light, the shinier they got. You may choose to talk about how they reflected the light that was close and everything got brighter.]
- Review the truth you learned last episode. [Christmas reminds me that Jesus is the Light. He can shine His light into any darkness we face.]
- Tie this to what you're learning this episode. [Leslie told us this episode that when we are close to Jesus, not only can we live in His light, we can also reflect it. . . just like these ornaments reflected that light from the flashlight.]

READ THIS

Read Genesis 1:27 together.

"So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." Challenge your camper(s) or a family member to share as much as they can remember about this verse from what Leslie shared.

Ask who can remember the Truth that Leslie shared: Christmas reminds me that I share His Light.

TALK ABOUT IT Dive Deeper

[Use the following questions to explore with your family how we can live super-shiny lives, staying close to Jesus and reflecting His light.]

- 1. If we want to live super-shiny lives, why is it important to stay close to Jesus? [The closer we are to Him, the more we reflect His light.]
- 2. What does it mean to "stay close to Jesus"? How do we do that? [The conversation could include talking to Him and listening to Him (praying), spending time reading His Word, the Bible—the very words He gave us; considering Him as the base of our decisions, words, and actions.]
- 3. Share about at time in your life when you felt "super-shiny" or about a time when you didn't. How did the closeness of your relationship with Jesus (or lack of) affect the way your life looked?
- 4. How can thinking about reflecting His light help you as you make decisions every day?

SHARE IT Wrap Up

- Share with your family something you learned today that you didn't know before. Invite your camper(s) and other family members to share as well.
- How can knowing that every single one of us is made in the image of God affect the way we treat other people?
- Say the truth together: Christmas reminds me that I share His Light.
- What are ways you, as a family, can share His light with others?

