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## 5.9.1 PROPHETS OF HOPE

**Unit Focus:** Students explore the role and message of John the Baptist in preparing for the coming of the Lord, Jesus Christ. Various ways to live as joyful messengers during Advent have been explored with emphasis on service for others.

**Lesson Focus/Aim**<sup>2</sup> To appreciate that the people of Israel had been waiting for the king.

## Students are challenged to:

- To respond as Christians to the presence of God in the world.
- Value the richness of sacred scriptures.

• Be joyful messengers sent as prophets (good news) to the world.

**In class:** Students may have reflected on a sacred space before relating why the Old Testament is sacred (contains God's messages told by the prophets). They have explored how Advent is a time when Christians are joyful messengers and Christmas cards are a way of sharing this joyful message.

**Family supplement activity:** Students design their own Christmas card that will reflect the true meaning of Christmas (Jesus has come to bring a new Kingdom of peace and love).

