## "The Wise Men" Story

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem in the days of the evil King Herod, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem saying, "Where is he that is born King of the Jews? We have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him."

When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and he had gathered all the people together and demanded to know where Jesus was born.

And they said unto him, "In Bethlehem." Then Herod, when he had called the wise men, asked them what time the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, "Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also."

So, they left, and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them till it came and stood over where the young boy Jesus was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced great joy. They saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you because Herod will try to find the young boy and kill him." When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt, and lived there until the death of Herod.

When Herod saw that the wise men had tricked him, he was very angry, so he killed all the children that were in Bethlehem from two years old and under. But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Take the young child and his mother, and go back, for Herod is dead."

So, he went back and he, Mary and the young boy Jesus lived in a city called Nazareth.

## "The Wise Men" Puppet Script

While Jesus lay in the manger there Far in the East, we know not where, On the dark and cloudless night Some wise men saw a strange new light They looked at the sky and wondered why One star should be so big and bright!

Then one of them said, "The star must mean That something GREAT is happening! A special King was born tonight, That's the reason for this light!"

Then all of them cried, "Let's follow the star! It may be near, or it may be far. We'll search until we find the place Where we can see the baby's face."

So off they went to follow the star And was it near? Or was it far? Oh, it was far, so far away! But on they traveled night and day.

For this new king the wise men knew The trip would be a blessing true

And then one night the star shown down Upon a house in Bethlehem town. And there they saw, To their delight The reason for the holy light.

The wise men's hearts were filled with joy As they bowed down before the boy! Gold, Frankincense and myrrh Gifts of love, of that we're sure

They gave their treasure to the king And went back home, still worshipping. Just like those men who took delight In seeking God and following his light The wise today still seek the king And offer Jesus everything.

# "If you Love Jesus" Song

If you love Jesus. Clap your hands. Nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah-nah Oo-Ah! Sock it to the devil.

If you love Jesus. Stomp your feet. Nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah-nah Oo-Ah! Sock it to the devil.

If you love Jesus. Clap your hands. Nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah-nah Oo-Ah! Sock it to the devil.

If you love Jesus. Turn around. Nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah, nah-nah-nah-nah-nah Oo-Ah! Sock it to the devil.



The Wise Men Memory Verse



"When they saw the star, they rejoiced. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child and fell down and worshiped Him." Matthew 2:10-11

#### **Application Questions**

- 1. Where were the Wise Men from? (East)
- 2. What are some reasons they were wise? (studied stars, they followed the strange star that was said to lead to a new king)
- 3. What did Herod want to do to this "new king" the wise men were looking for? (kill him)
- 4. What was the first thing they did when they saw Jesus? (fell down and worshipped him)
- 5. What were the gifts of the wise men? (gold, frankincense and myrrh
- 6. How come they went home a different way? (they were warned in a dream that Mary was trying to kill them)
- 7. Where did Mary, Joseph and Jesus move to be safe? Egypt
- 8. What did cruel king Herod do to try to kill Jesus? (killed all children in Bethlehem 3 years old or younger)
- 9. Where did the family finally move to? (Nazareth)
- 10. How can we be "Wise Men"? (various answers, follow Jesus, look for Jesus, worship Jesus, bring Jesus gifts of love and sacrifice)



The Wise Men's Story

# The Wise Men Crafts



Be a "Wise Man" (boy or girl) and make yourself a crown!

https://meaningfulmama.c om/wise-men-paperplate-crown-craft.html



Okay, I know I'm obsessed with hand print crafts, but isn't this cute?!!

http://mrskarensclass.blogspot.com /2011/12/merry-christmaseve.html



Love this "Wise Men" snack!!!

http://www.creativekidsnacks.c om/



Write out "gifts" we should give Jesus on a sheet of paper and wrap it up as a present for him!!! What a wonderful reminder for us all!!!



What about wise Men cookies??? Okay, mine would never look this good, but Elizabeth's would look amazing!!!

https://www.pinterest.com/pin/ 65231894574508543/



Do you have popsicle sticks?!? This is a cutie craft made from sticks and scraps!

https://madebymolliesmo m.blogspot.com/2011/07 /more-christmas-in-julythree-wisemen.html