

Sunday, January 5, 2025: The Wise Men - Epiphany

Read Matthew 2:1-12

Light all four candles (three purple and one pink) and the Christ Candle. Remember the prophets, Mary and Joseph, the shepherds, and the angels who have journeyed with you on the road to Bethlehem.

Now that we have arrived will God bring others?
Who else might be on this journey to discover
the Christ child? The Wise Men.

The Wise Men saw a special star in the sky for a
king. They followed the star to Bethlehem
bringing gifts for the newborn king—gifts of gold,
frankincense, and myrrh.



The Magi and their camels came to Bethlehem
to see the new king that was born. They found
the way too. Who else might find the king? How will they find him? We could
show them the way.

(continue to wonder throughout the season of Epiphany)

****Pause as one family member leads in prayer, then extinguish your candles.***

What do you wonder about this story?

I wonder how the wise men knew about the special star for a king.

I wonder what gift you would have brought to the baby Jesus.

I wonder if God revealed anything to you during your journey to Bethlehem.

I wonder what happens next?

Use your journal to draw a gift you would bring to King Jesus today.

Epiphany Day is 12 days after Christmas and many of God's people celebrate God revealing himself through Jesus. The season of Epiphany stretches for 8 weeks this year and ends one day before another very special day. I wonder what that day is? Growing Families will celebrate Epiphany by telling the story of Jesus' life this month.