

WISEMEN



Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is He who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw His star when it rose and have come to worship Him.”
Matthew 2:1-2 ESV

Song: We Three Kings - *John Henry Hopkins, Jr.*

**We three kings of Orient are;
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.**

**O star of wonder, star of light,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.**

**Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.**

**O star of wonder, star of light,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.**

**Glorious now behold Him arise;
King and God and Sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Earth to heaven replies.**

**O star of wonder, star of light,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.**

Leader: After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was.

All: When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.

Leader: And going into the house they saw the child with Mary His mother, and they fell down and worshiped Him.

All: Then, opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. *Matthew 2:9-11 ESV*

Song: From Heaven Above - *Martin Luther*

From heaven above to earth I come
To bear good news to every home;
Glad tidings of great joy I bring,
Where-of I now will say and sing:

To you this night is born a child
Of Mary, chosen virgin mild;
This little Child, of lowly birth,
Shall be the joy of all the earth.

This is the Christ, our God and Lord,
Who in all need shall aid afford;
He will Himself your Savior be
From all your sins to set you free.

Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,
Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart, that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for Thee.

Glory to God in highest heaven,
Who unto us His Son hath given!
While angels sing with pious mirth
A glad new year to all the earth.

Christmas Message

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Song: As Each Happy Christmas - *Johann W. Hey & Harriet R. Spaeth*

**As each happy Christmas
Dawns on earth again,
Comes the holy Christ Child
To the hearts of men.**

**Enters with His blessing
Into every home,
Guides and guards our footsteps
As we go and come.**

**All unknown, beside me,
He will ever stand,
And will safely lead me
With His own right hand.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26 ESV*

Doxology - *Thomas Ken*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, you heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**