

EPIPHANY

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Come to

worship Jesus

the King

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Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

- 1. Do you have a favorite star? In what part of the sky is it?
- 2. God used a star to lead the wise men to Bethlehem to see the child Jesus. Which people or things has God used in your life to lead you to Jesus?
- 3. In what ways could you be a "star" that points others to Jesus?



BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

- Matthew 2:1-12 Wise men worship Christ the King S
- Nations will come to the light Μ Isaiah 60:1-6
- Ephesians 3:1-12 Paul, the messenger
- W John 12:44-46 Jesus has come as a light
- Luke 2:21-33 Simeon praises God for Jesus
- Luke 2:36-38 Anna praises God for Jesus
- S Psalm 72:10-14 Kings will present him with gifts

VERSE OF THE WEEK

The Wise Men went to the house. There they saw the child with his mother Mary. They bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures. They gave him gold, incense and myrrh. MATTHEW 2:11



CREATIVE RESPONSE

Epiphany reminds us of our own mission or calling to make known the story of God's love to those around us.

Cut a large star out of cardboard. At each point of the star list the names of people with whom you would like to share Christ; a mission agency or activity you would like to support; or a place or region where the Gospel needs to be proclaimed. Hang the star above your home altar or meal table as a reminder to pray for these people, mission activities and mission fields.



Like Wise Men three from far away, we come to Christ with joy this day. To our God and King, gifts of thanks and praise we bring! Amen.



Lord Jesus, thank you for coming into our world to be our King. May our whole lives be good gifts to you. Amen.



ACTION RESPONSE

Who are the "stars" in your life, those who point you to Jesus? Design "You're a Star!" certificates to present to these people in appreciation of their role in your lives.



BLESSING

May the light of Jesus shine on you and lead you.