



A Christmas Message for You

Colour in the special Christmas message below. Decorate the message with symbols of Christmas.

**WE
CELEBRATE
THE BIRTH OF
JESUS
AT CHRISTMAS.**



Jesus is Born

(Luke 2: 1-20)

Read the passage below about the night that Jesus was born. Fill the spaces with words that make good sense.

The King wanted to know _____ many people lived in the land. Everyone had to go to their hometown to be _____. Mary and _____ went to the town of Bethlehem. It was a long trip for _____. She was going to have a _____ soon.



Many people had travelled to _____ also. All the rooms were _____. So Mary and Joseph had to stay in a _____. Mary's baby was _____ that night. Mary _____ the baby in strips of cloth. She _____ him in a manger. The baby's name was _____. Jesus was God's son.

In the hills near Bethlehem, shepherds were watching their _____. Suddenly, the shepherds _____ an angel. They were _____. The _____ from the angel was so bright.

The angel said, " _____ be afraid. I have some wonderful _____ for you. A saviour has _____ born in Bethlehem. Go and _____ him. He's wrapped in strips of _____ and lying _____ a manger."

Then more and _____ angels came. They sang praises to God for sending Jesus. Then the _____ left. The shepherds _____ to Bethlehem. They found Jesus and were so _____ that God had sent his son. They _____ everyone they met that Jesus the saviour had been born.



Special Visitors

(Matthew 2: 1-12)

Illustrate the main events from this story in the boxes below.

Some wise men from a faraway country saw a bright star in the sky. "The star will lead us to a new king of God's people", they said. The wise men wanted to worship this new king. They wanted to bring him gifts.

They got on their camels and followed the star across the desert. After a long trip, the wise men came to a big city. They asked, "Where is the new king?" No one knew. The only king the people knew was King Herod.

So the wise men went to see King Herod. He was very angry when he heard about the new king. He wanted to be the only king. Herod asked his helpers to find out where the new king had been born. They told Herod, "God's Word said he was born in Bethlehem".

King Herod told the wise men to look for the new king in Bethlehem. Then he lied. He told them to come back after they saw the baby so that he would know where to go to worship him. So the wise men got back on their camels. They followed the star again. It led them to Bethlehem and stopped right over the place where Jesus lay.

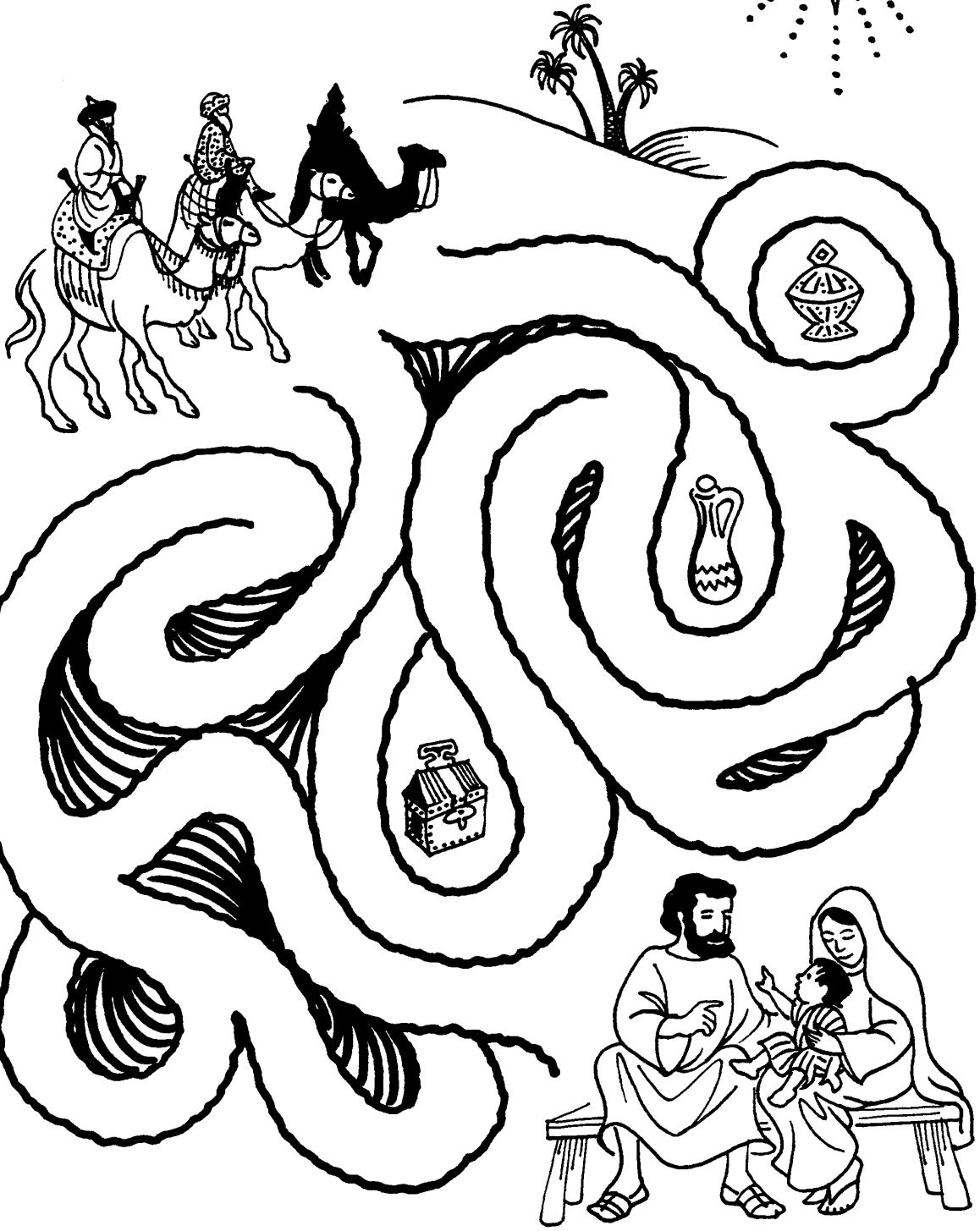
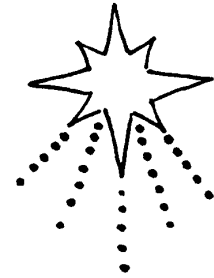
The wise men went inside. They knelt down and worshipped Jesus and gave him their gifts. The gifts showed that they loved Jesus.

In a dream, God told the wise men not to return to King Herod. So the wise men went home by another road. They were glad they could worship Jesus and give him gifts.



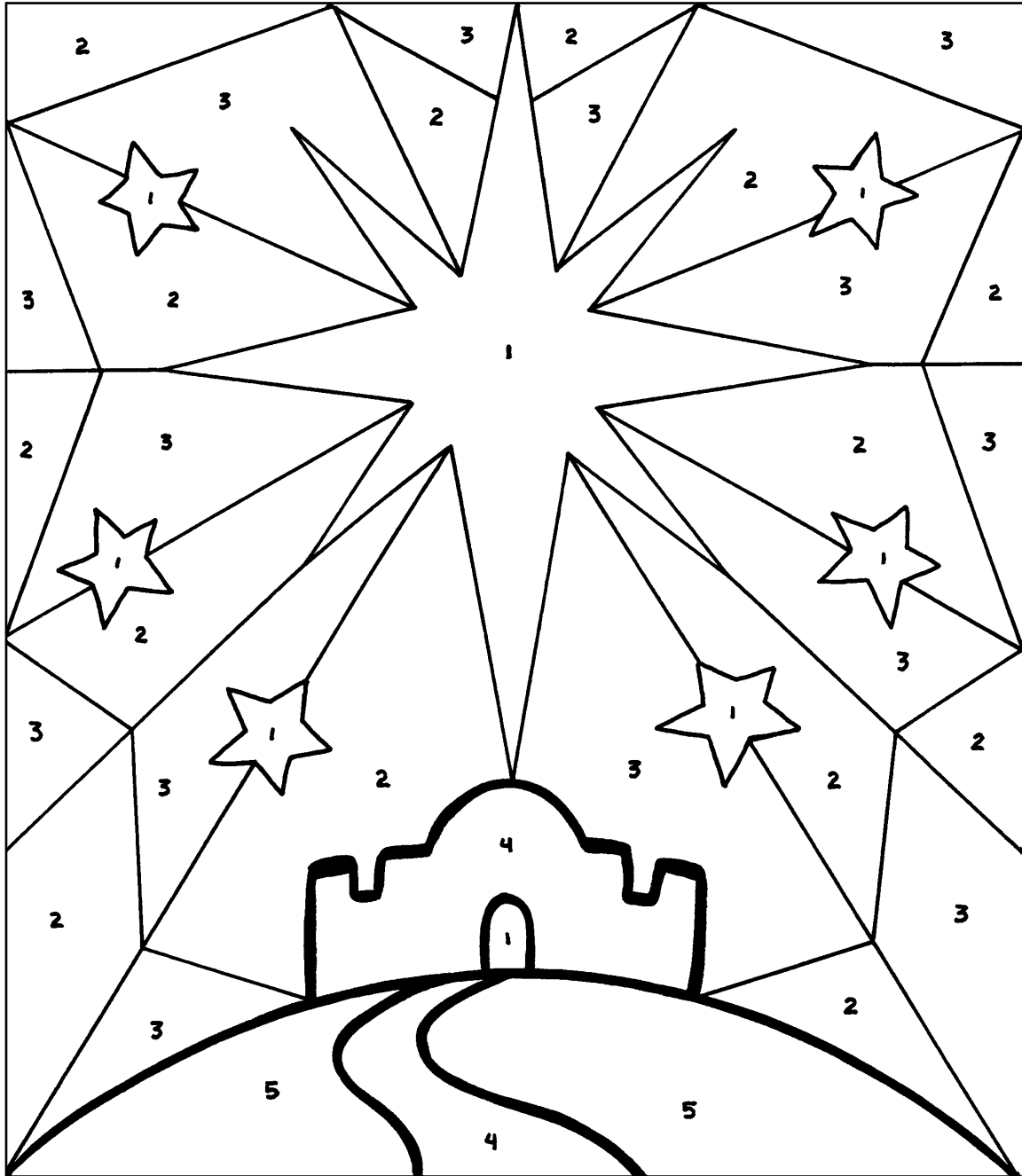
Finding Jesus

Help the wise men find their way to Jesus.





The Birth of Jesus



Scripture: Matthew 2:10

"When they saw the _____, they were overjoyed."

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