



**At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7**  
**God of Wonders: The Wonder of Advent**  
**Unit 10, Lesson 52**

## Following the Star

**Lesson Aim: To know God leads all of us to Jesus.**

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** What is the most amazing thing you have seen in the sky?

**GAME:** Follow the Star

### THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO COMES NEAR

Read Worship Scripture: Jeremiah 29:13.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform High Seas Adventures script or read storybook.

### THE WORD GOD LED THE MAGI TO JESUS

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God sent an angel to announce the birth of Jesus to the shepherds.

Point to Jesus on Earth (Circa 1-33 A.D.). **Today, we will discover how God led men who lived far away and east of Israel to worship Jesus in Bethlehem.** Trace a path with your finger from the east of Israel to Bethlehem. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11. Pray. **Many months (possibly a year or two) after Jesus was born, some very special visitors came to see Him. Let's read how they found Jesus.** Read Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11.

### THE WAY GOD LEADS US TO JESUS

**Magi is another name for wise scientists who studied the stars. When the Magi saw the star God sent, they knew it was very special. Why did God send the star?** (Point to Jesus' birthplace, lead the Magi to see baby Jesus in Bethlehem.) **The Magi called Jesus the King of the Jews. They traveled thousands of miles to see this little baby King. What did the Magi say they were coming to do?** (Worship Jesus.) **How did they worship Jesus?** (They bowed down and brought gifts to Him.)

Turn off the lights and shine a flashlight on the ceiling. If you cannot turn off the lights or if you have a very high ceiling, shine the flashlight on a wall or

have the children close their eyes and imagine the star. **Pretend this light is the star. Pretend you are one of the Magi and are seeing the star for the very first time. Why would you decide to follow the star? God knew the Magi would follow the star and He used it to lead them to Jesus.**

**Last time, we learned the shepherds worshiped baby Jesus. Who did God send to lead them to Him?** (An angel told them where to find baby Jesus.) **What did God send to lead the Magi to baby Jesus?** (The star.) **God sends everyone someone or something that can lead them to worship Jesus.**

### **CHRIST CONNECTION:**

**Do you remember how God first created the stars? Let's read about it.** Reveal Genesis 1:16-17. Read.

**We know God created all the stars, but He created one special star to lead the Magi to Jesus. What do you think made this star different from all the others? God creating a special star to announce Jesus' birth was an amazing miracle!**

**God used the star to lead the Magi to Jesus. God leads us to Jesus, too. Can you think of some ways God leads us to Jesus?** (He tells His story in the Bible. He makes our hearts want to know and love Jesus. He gives us family and friends who love Jesus. He does miracles to help us believe in Him.)

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Star-shaped treat or sticker
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: The Magi following the star
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### GOT TIME?

**SNACK:** Star Sandwiches

**GAME:** Miracle Charades

**CRAFT:** "Led to Worship" Star

**DISCUSSION:** Magi Facts

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** Appearing Angel, Memory Verse Circle

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**