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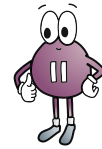
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& Friends



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A wise guide



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STORY 1: Joseph and the angel

This story is about Joseph obeying God.



READ:
Matthew 1: 18-25

Joseph and Mary were planning to get married, but one day Mary told Joseph that she was expecting a baby. Joseph knew he wasn't the father, so although he loved Mary very much, he decided he would not marry her.

One night Joseph had a dream. An angel spoke to him and told him not to be afraid to take Mary as his wife because the baby was from the Holy Spirit.

This meant that the baby did not have a human father, He was God's Son!

Draw the angel appearing to Joseph in his dream.



Draw lines to complete the sentences below:

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Joseph and Mary were

expecting a baby.

Mary was

that the baby was from the Holy Spirit.

One night Joseph

had a dream.

An angel told Joseph

planning to get married.

Jesus is the

Son of God.

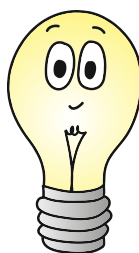
The angel told Joseph that he was to give the baby a special name - Jesus.
This name is special because it means 'Saviour'.

Decorate the words.

Jesus
means
Saviour.

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When Joseph woke up from his dream, he obeyed God and married Mary.



*Joseph did the right
thing. He obeyed God!*

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STORY 2: Herod and the Wise Men

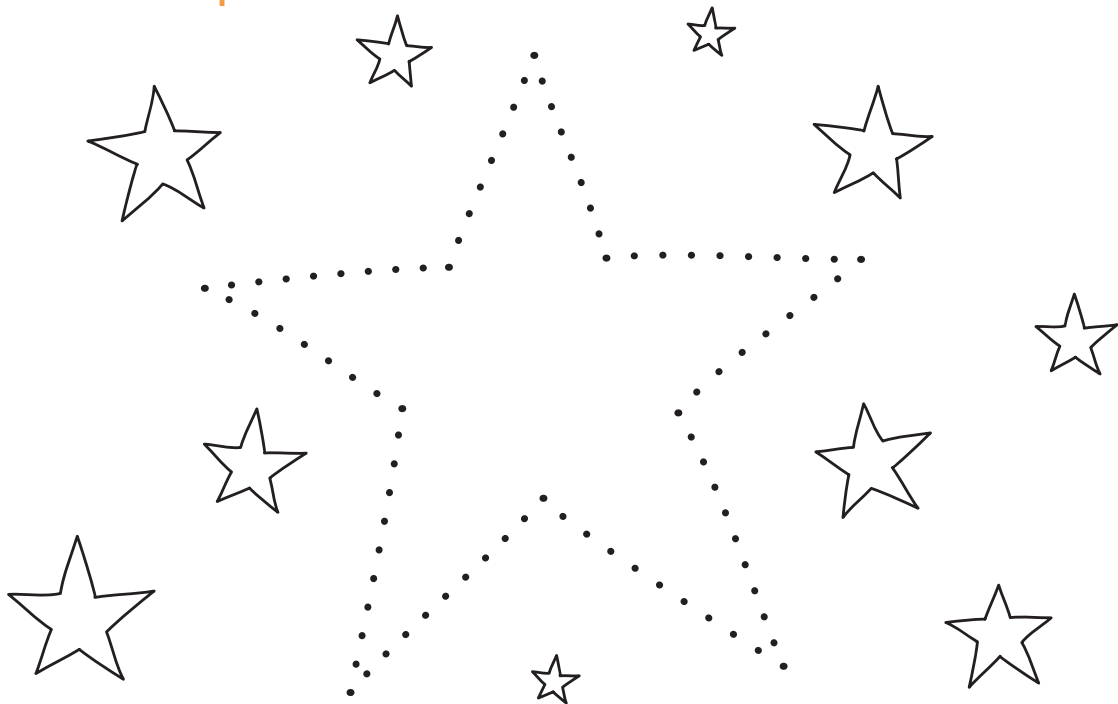
This story is about the Wise Men trying to find Jesus.



READ:
Matthew 2: 1-8

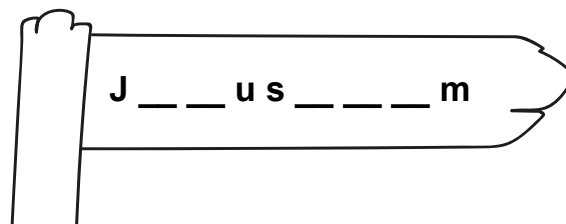
A new star had appeared in the sky. Wise Men in the east knew that this was a sign of the birth of a new king. They travelled to Jerusalem to find the child, so they could worship Him. This news didn't please King Herod. He did not want anyone else to take his place!

Join the dots to draw the bright star that showed the Wise Men the way to Jesus. Colour the picture.



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Write on the sign the name of the place the Wise Men were travelling to.



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What did the Wise Men want to do when they found Jesus?

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Herod did not know where the child was, so he asked some of his helpers if they knew where the child was to be born. They said He was to be born in Bethlehem.

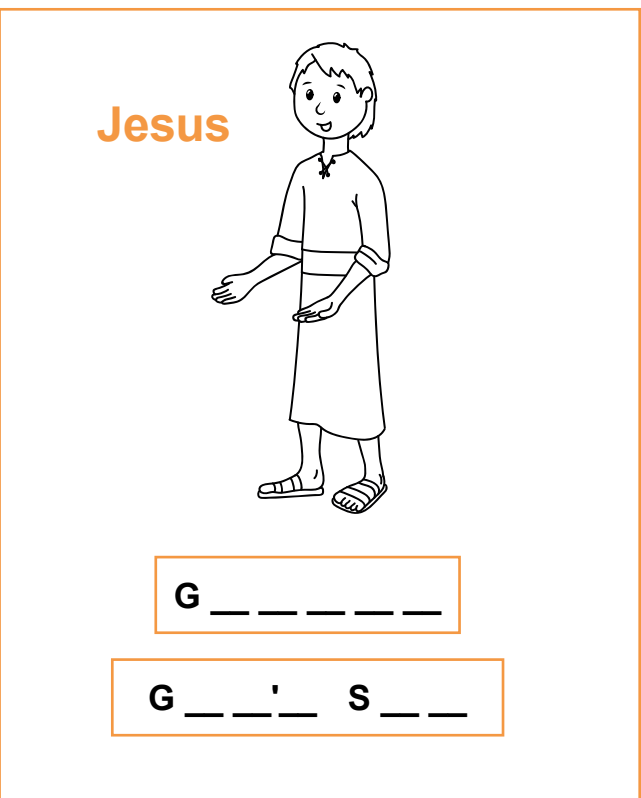
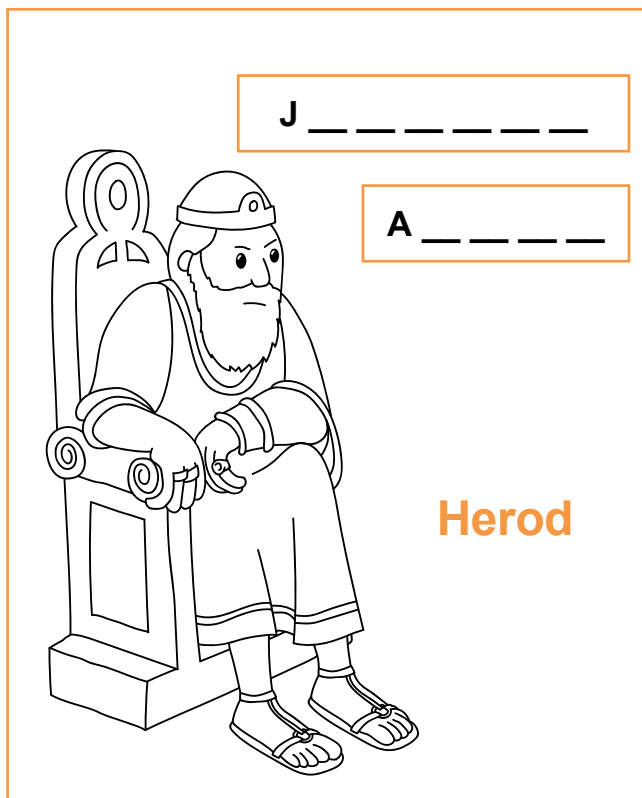
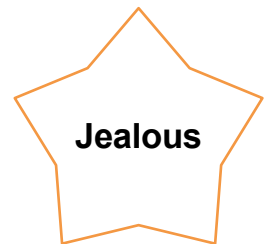
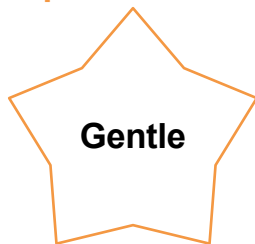
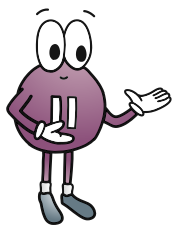
Herod called the Wise Men to him and said:

"Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find Him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship Him."

But Herod didn't really want to worship Jesus.

He wanted to kill Him!

Which words from the stars describe the two very different kings? Fill in the blanks in the pictures below.



So the Wise Men set off for Bethlehem to find Jesus.

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STORY 3: The Wise Men and Jesus

This story is about the Wise Men following the star and finding Jesus.

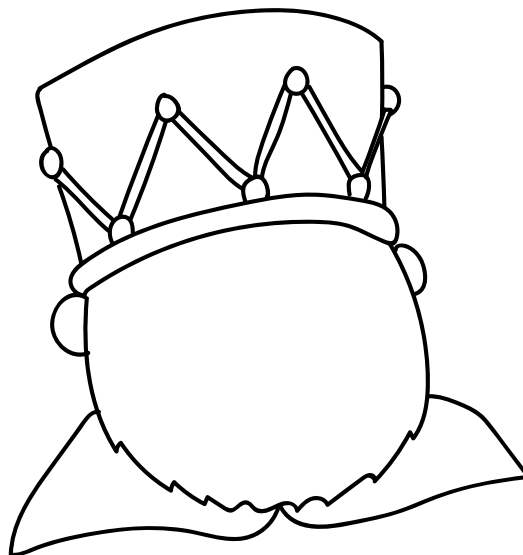


READ:
Matthew 2: 9-12

After the Wise Men had left Herod, they saw the star again. The star led them to the place where Jesus was! The Wise Men were very happy when they saw the star. Soon they would meet the one they had travelled so far to see!

The Wise Men arrived at Bethlehem and found the house where Jesus, Joseph and Mary were staying. When they saw Jesus they worshipped Him.

Complete the face of the Wise Man below to show how he felt when he saw the star. Decorate his crown.



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Put a YES or NO after each statement to show if it is TRUE or FALSE.

The Wise Men followed the star.

The Wise Men were sad.

The Wise Men worshipped Jesus.

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The Wise Men had brought three gifts for Jesus - gold, frankincense and myrrh. These were very expensive gifts - the sort usually given to kings. The Wise Men knew that Jesus was no ordinary child, so He deserved the best possible gifts.

Colour the picture using the colour code.

- 1 - Yellow
- 2 - Pink
- 3 - Brown
- 4 - Purple
- 5 - Red
- 6 - Blue

After they had stayed a while, it was time to go.

The Wise Men remembered that King Herod had asked them to go back to Jerusalem.

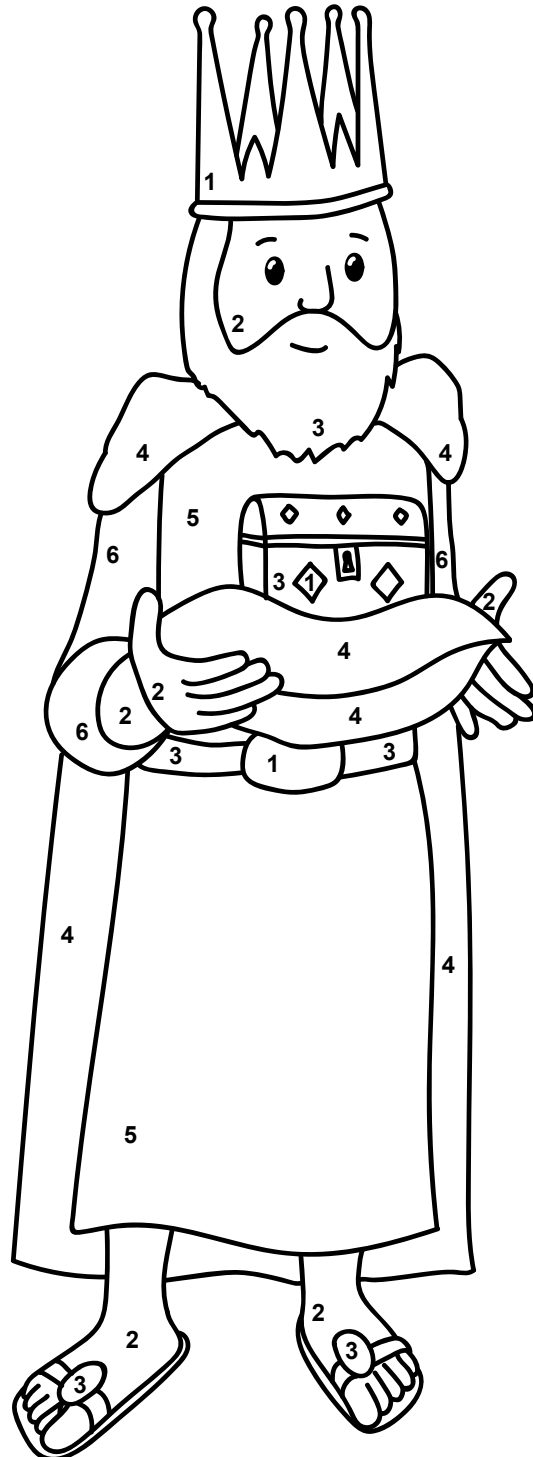
However, God knew that King Herod wanted to kill Jesus.

In a dream God told the Wise Men to go straight home and not to tell King Herod where Jesus was.

At last they had seen Jesus, the new King!



Why do you think King Herod wanted to kill Jesus?



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STORY 4: The escape to Egypt

This story is about God looking after His Son.



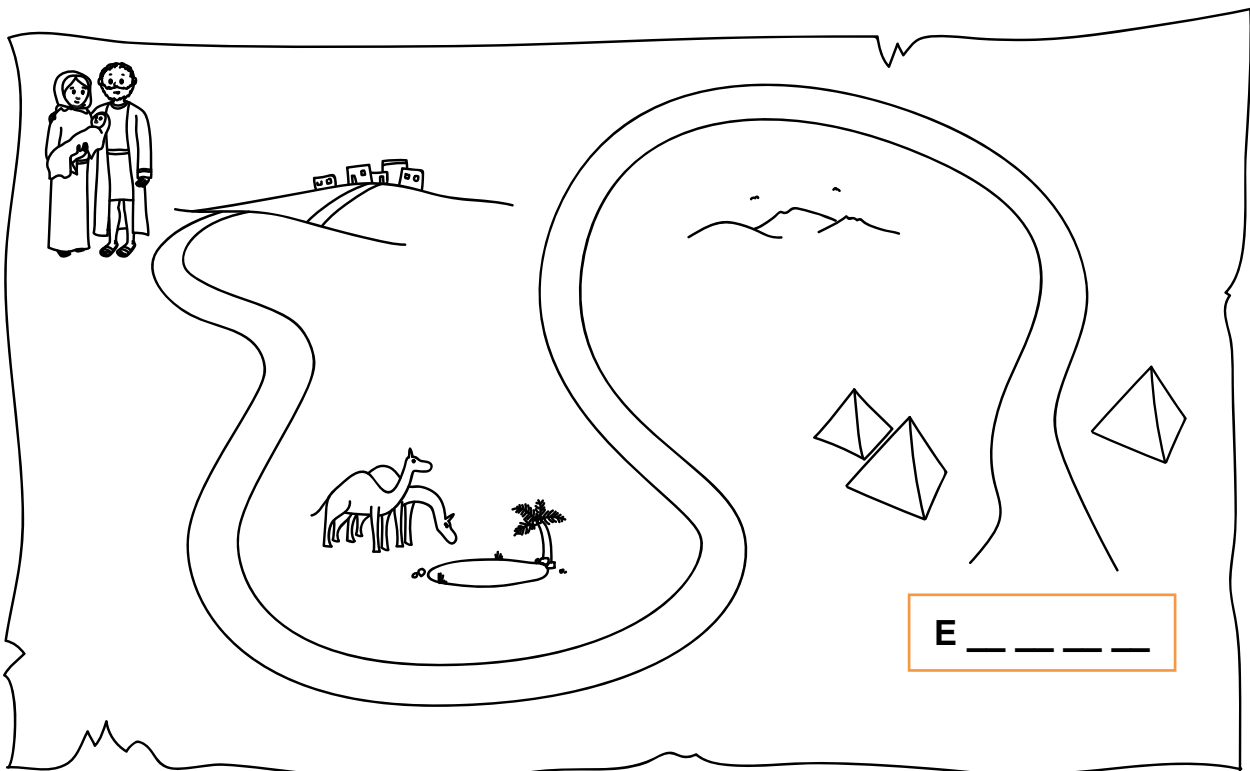
READ:
Matthew 2: 13-23

King Herod had been waiting for the return of the Wise Men, but they did not arrive! They had obeyed God and gone straight home. King Herod became very angry at the thought of someone else being king instead of him!

He decided that every boy in Bethlehem, who was under two years old must be killed. What a terrible thing to do!

God spoke to Joseph in a dream. He told him to take his family and escape to Egypt. There they would be safe until God told them to return.

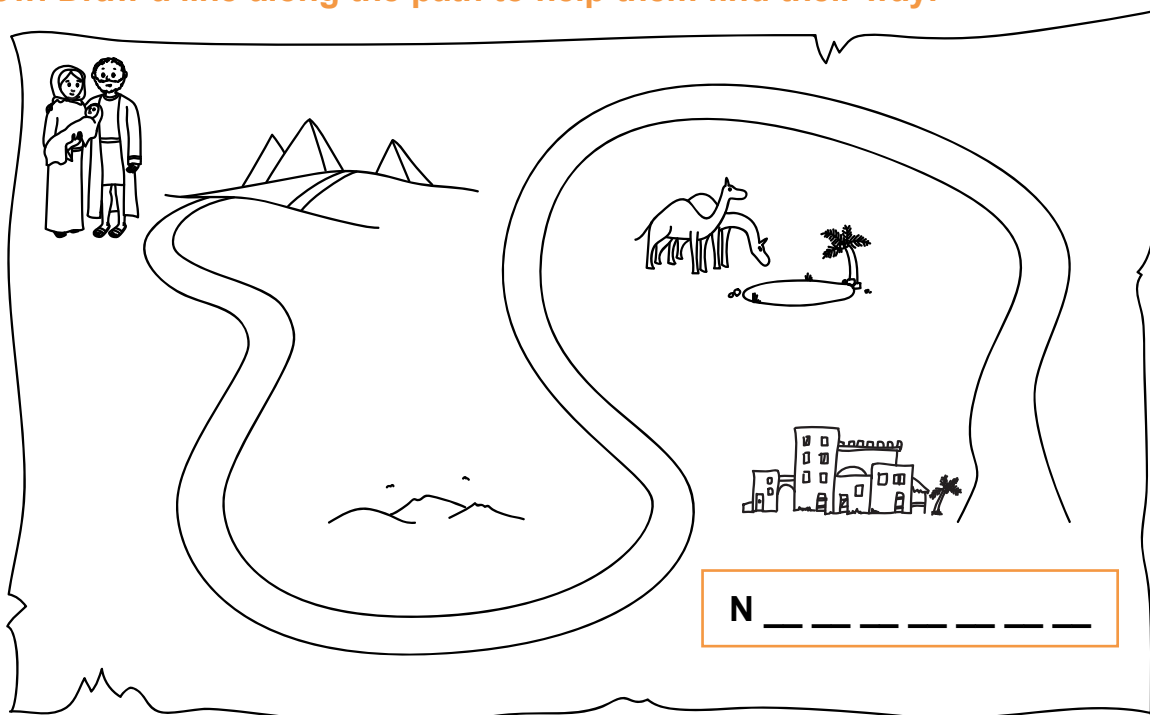
Where did Mary, Joseph and Jesus escape to? Fill in the place below.
Draw a line along the path to help them find their way.



Some time later King Herod died. God told Joseph it was now safe to return to Israel. So Joseph, Mary and Jesus left Egypt and went to Nazareth.

What town did Mary, Joseph and Jesus return to? Fill in the place below. Draw a line along the path to help them find their way.

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In everything that happened, God was protecting His Son. Mary and Joseph also pleased God by obeying all that He had commanded them to do.

Colour the squares that DO NOT have a dot to discover what God did.

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The Bible tells us it is right to obey God.

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