



merry christmas

Praying God's blessings over you and yours this Christmas!

Please feel welcome to sing along with us as the Woodcliff Lake
Sunday School Classes present to you...

The Star, the Angel, and the Meaning of
Christmas

Star: Good morning, Angel! How are you after the amazing night last night?

Angel: Star, I will be singing God's praises forever! Glory to God in the highest! He is doing great and wondrous things for the people He created by sending Jesus to Earth!

Star: Watching all the events take place was the most incredible thing I've experienced in all my 700 years of shining! But I must admit, I do have a few questions about everything that transpired.

Angel: Oh yea? I wonder if I can help clear anything up. Let's think back to last night's events...

Star: Okay... QUESTION!!!!

Angel: Already?

Star: Well yes of course! I simply don't understand why this young couple needed to travel ALL THE WAY to Bethlehem.

Angel: Great question! Well, God said...

God voice: "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."

Star: OOOOH! So, Jesus is the great ruler of Israel! Jesus's origins are from old, from ancient times because He was with God and the Holy Spirit long before the creation of the world!

Angel: Right! God made Bethlehem to be the birthplace of the great king Jesus, the king of our hearts!

*****Song: Oh Little Town of Bethlehem*****

Angel: Here is where our night began! Mary and Joseph have just arrived at the inn...

Innkeeper: There is no room in the inn! But I do have a stable.

Star: QUESTION!

Angel: Sure what's on your mind?

Star: Well, I guess I'm just curious, of all the women in the world, why did God choose Mary.

Angel: Interesting thought. Well, God said ...

God Voice: Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son..."

Angel: The virgin is Mary! God gave her the great responsibility of raising His son – Immanuel.

Star: OOOH! That reminds me! Why that name? It's nothing like the common names. You know? Like Matthew or Mark or Luke or John or...

Angel: Right! Well after God speaks of the "virgin [who] shall conceive and bear a son"- Mary – He says that she...

God voice: "shall call his name Immanuel"

Angel: God also says...

God voice: “his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.”

Angel: Immanuel means “God with us” because God has sent His Son to be on Earth with us.

Star: Truly amazing!

***** Song: Emmanuel *****

Shepherds: We have come to see the baby!

Joseph: This is Emmanuel.

Star: Now, I remember you departed for a little bit. I’ve been meaning to ask where you went.

Angel: That’s right! I did excuse myself for but a moment. I had an important song to sing. “Glory to God in the Highest! And on Earth, Peace! Good will towards men!” A host of angels and myself went to rally the shepherds!

Star: You did come back with quite a few of shepherds! Why were they at Jesus’s birth?

Angel: Back in the Psalms, God said...

God Voice: “They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him...”

Star: So the shepherds are those that live in the wilderness!

Angel: Yes! The shepherds came to bow before the Lord to show that no one is too lowly to come to the Savior.

Star: And the wise men?

Angel: They were there to show that no one is too wise or too high up to humble themselves before the greatest king – King Jesus. God said:

God Voice: The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts... And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba:

***** Song: We Three Kings *****

Three Wise Men: We come with gifts!

Star: And they did. They brought Him gold and frankincense and myrrh!

Angel: In that same statement, God also said...

God Voice: “...prayer also shall be made for him continually; and daily shall he be praised.”

Star: AH HA! That answers my last question!

Angel: Hmmm?

Star: Well I was going to ask why all these people are here today! But I think I’ve got my answer! We’re all here to praise Jesus continually! Not only on Christmas, but every day of our lives, we must pray and praise Him daily!

Angel: Absolutely! From the manger, to the cross, to the right hand of the Father, the baby who was born this day is worthy of all our prayer and praise!

***** Song: Joy to the World *****

Little Town of Bethlehem

① O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie!
 ② For Christ is born of Ma - ry; And gath - ered all a - bove,
 3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly The wondrous gift is given!

A - bove thy deep and dreamless sleep The si - lent stars go by;
 While mortals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of wondering love.
 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bless - ings of His heaven.

Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light;
 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth,
 No ear may hear His com - ing; But in this world of sin,

The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
 And prais - es sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth.
 Where meek souls will receive Him still, The dear Christ en - ters in.

Emmanuel

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C/E F F/E Dm7 G7 C Gm⁶/B^b

Em - man - u - el, Em - man - u - el,

5 A7 A7/C# Dm Dm/C G7/B G C E7

His name is called Em - man - u - el: God with

10 F F/E Dm7 G7 C Gm⁶/B^b

us, re - vealed in us!

13 A7 A7/C# Dm Dm/C G7/B G C

His name is called Em - man - u - el.

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once

We Three Kings of Orient Are

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1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we trav - erse a - far,
 2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem plain, Gold I bring to crown Him a - gain
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense owns a De - i - ty night;
 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom;
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold Him a - rise King, and God, and Sac - ri - fice,

Field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er, O - ver us all to reign.
 Prayr and prais - ing, all men rais - ing, Wor - ship Him, God on high.
 Sor - row - ing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, Seal'd in the stone - cold tomb.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Heav - en and earth re - plies.

REFRAIN

O star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright;

West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to Thy per - fect light.

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Joy to the World

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth re - ceive her
 2. Joy to the earth! the Sav - ior reigns: Let men their songs em -
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, Nor thorns in - fest the

King; Let ev - ery heart pre - pare Him room, And
 ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, Re -
 ground; He comes to make His bless - ings flow, Far

(1.) And

heaven and na - ture sing, And heaven and na - ture
 peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
 as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
 sing,

heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing, And

sing, And heaven, And heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, Re - peat, Re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, Far as, Far as the curse is found.

heaven and na - ture sing, (86)

Isaiah 9:6-7

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

⁷ Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.