Lesson #57: Wise Men Find Jesus Matthew 2:1-12

Youtube Link: https://youtu.be/yiVpwjqo-pg

Children's Bible Story Video: https://youtu.be/IIGq2xne4sl

Worship Theme: Jesus deserves our worship

Memory Verse: "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!" (Psalm 150:6)

Songs (Youtube links):

- 1. King of kings https://youtu.be/CPBqHYVwm3M
- 2. Wise Men From The East https://youtu.be/UFeP7HQQHMo
- 3. Lord I worship You https://youtu.be/1C4guXZFdAw

Pray

Song: Select songs from the list above.

Icebreaker: Blow Out the Candles

Materials needed: 15 birthday candles

- 1. Divide the children into 3 groups.
- 2. Arrange the candles in 3 rows, 5 candles in one row, then light the candles.
- 3. Each group has to select a representative and try to blow out the candle
- 4. The group that blows out all the candles wins the game. Play until everyone has a turn.
- 5. After the game, explain to the children that Jesus is the light that came into this dark world to save everyone.







Introduction:

The birth of Jesus should have been a big news for the whole world. But not many people knew that the Savior had been born. His birth was celebrated quietly in a manger where animals eat and sleep. But there were someone who were from far away who knew that the Savior, a king, was born. They were the wise men from the east. Let's learn about the wise men who came to worship Jesus, the Savior King!

Bible Story:

When Jesus was born, very special people came to visit him. They were the wise men from the east. The wise men from the east studied the stars. One day, they saw that a very special star appeared in the sky. They knew that this star was a sign that a Savior King of the world was born! So they followed the star on a very long journey and came to Jerusalem.

When they visited King Herod (the king of Israel at the time) to ask where the new king was born, King Herod was very upset because he thought someone was going to take his place. So, he told the wise men to let him know when they find the new king because he wanted to worship him. But King Herod was planning to kill the newborn king.

By following the star, the wise men were able to find Jesus, the King and Savior of this world. The first thing they did was to worship Jesus and to give their gifts to Jesus. They were going to return to King Herod to tell him where the new king is, but they were warned in their dream not to go back to King Herod. So, they returned to their country by another road.

Jesus deserves to be worshiped. He is our Savior and our King. How do you worship Jesus? Some people think that we worship Jesus only in church. This is not true. We need to worship him with all of our hearts every day, wherever we are! We worship Jesus by loving God and loving people!

Questions to discuss:

- 1. Where were the wise men from? (From the east)
- 2. How did the wise men find Jesus, the Savior who was born as a human? (they were guided by a special star)
- 3. Who did they first visit to find the new king? (King Herod)
- 4. What were two things the wise men did when they found Jesus, the Savior King? (they worshiped him and gave gifts to him)
- 5. How do we worship Jesus? (Every day, by loving God and loving people)

Game: "Finding a Star"

Materials needed: Balloons (1 for each child), papers with words written on them (flowers, sun, moon, fruits, etc.), 1 paper that says "star"



- 1. Give each child a balloon that already has the paper with written words inside of it.
- 2. Each child will blow the balloon until it pops.
- 3. The child whose balloon had the word "star" on it wins the game.
- After the game, explain to the children that just as one star guided the wise men, only Jesus guides our lives. Therefore, we should only worship Jesus.

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Craft: "Let's Make a Star!"

Materials Needed: Print the paper with star template for each child; string, glue, scissors, crayons



1. Give the printed star template to each child and have them cut out 2 stars carefully.

2. Decorate the star

3. Fold all the lines to make the stars look 3D.

4. Glue the sides of the two stars.

5. You can glue a string to the star so that you can hang it.

Song: Select songs from the list above

Pray

Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.) The three wise men travelled for a very long time to find Jesus. They did not have moto or cars. They had to travel through the desert on a camel. It was hard for them for they did not give up because they really wanted to meet the Savior King, Jesus. For us, we don't have to travel far to find Jesus. Jesus is already with us! Let us thank God for making it easier for us to serve and worship Jesus.

