

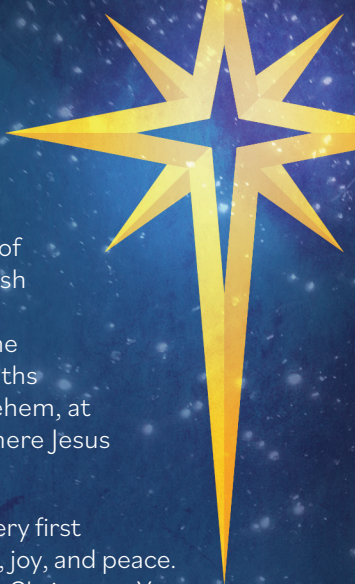
# THE WONDER OF *Christmas*

Christmas looks different for all of us. Some countries celebrate on a cold, snow-covered morning, while others spend their holidays on the beach. Some families sing Christmas carols and decorate a tree, while others watch fireworks and eat a Christmas ham. Maybe for you, Christmas has always been about gathering with family and everyone finally being together.

As a child, these celebrations are easy and exciting. But as we age, that wonder seems to fade. Things get more complicated, and we lose the innocence of the holiday season. We don't just see the gifts under the tree; we see the paycheck it took to get there. Family coming together isn't as simple as it once was with broken relationships and special people missing.

The traditions mean a lot to us, but soon we realize that what really makes Christmas so special can only be discovered when we go back to the start.

Guided by ancient prophecies, three wise men followed a mysterious star in the heavens. Shepherds stood in a field illuminated with light that beckoned them to the city of a legendary king. Two poor Jewish villagers were visited by angels and entrusted with caring for the long-awaited Savior. All their paths converged in the town of Bethlehem, at a humble stable, in a manger where Jesus was born.



Jesus came into the world that very first Christmas to bring us love, hope, joy, and peace. And he offers that still to you this Christmas. You can experience the wonder of Christmas again, not in the presents we open or food we eat, but through a relationship with Jesus.

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