

So Herod sent the wise men to Bethlehem, pretending that he too would like to offer honor to the child.

The wise men headed for Bethlehem, guided by the star. The star filled them with joy. The star stopped over the place where the child was.

The wise men fell to their knees, and honored the child. They offered him gifts of gold, incense and myrrh.

Then they returned to their own country by a different way, having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod.

Jesus, help me to honor you like the wise men

Chapter 2 (13 - 23)

After the wise men left Bethlehem, an angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and said

"Go quickly to Egypt, because Herod wants to kill the child". That same night, Joseph got up and set out for Egypt with Mary and Jesus.

Herod was angry after being tricked by the wise men. He got his soldiers to kill all baby boys two years old or younger in Bethlehem.

After Herod died some months later, an angel appeared to Joseph in a dream, and told him to return to Israel.

Joseph, Mary and Jesus moved to the town of Nazareth, thus fulfilling the prophecy about the Saviour: "He will be called a Nazarene".