



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Each grade (combine cabins) will be responsible for putting on one scene of the play. Cabin leaders will need to assign roles for the characters and one cabin leader will need to serve as the narrator.

Be sure to have one male AND one female to help kids get into costume.

SCENE 4 - 4th Graders (Matthew 2:1-12)

Role	Props	Cabin(s)	Person
Narrator (adult)	None		
Wise men (3 kids)	Red robe, red cape, crown		
*Wise men gifts (3 kids)	Gold (yellow costume & hat, tag) Frankincense (red costume & hat, tag) Myrrh (purple costume & hat, tag)		
*Joseph (1 boy)	Blue robe & hat		
*Mary (1 girl)	Pink robe & hat		
*Baby Jesus (doll)	Doll wrapped in blanket	n/a	
King Herod (1 kid)	Red robe, big crown		
Priest (1 kid)	Black robe & hat, white cross, brown cross necklace, Bible		
Teacher (1 kid)	Brown robe, rope belt		
*Star (1 kid)	Star costume		

*this role has no speaking part

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[Narrator enters and stands off to the side of the stage]

***PRESET #3 (Front spotlights go up.)

Narrator: After Jesus was born in Bethlehem, during the reign of King Herod, some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem.

[3 wise men enter and take place in front of stage.]

Wise Man 1: Where is the king of the Jews?

Wise Man 2: We saw his star as it rose.

Wise Man 3: We have come to worship Him.

[3 wise men exit doors (stage right) and wait in foyer.]

Narrator: King Herod heard about the wise men and called together a meeting of priests and teachers of the law.

[King Herod, priest, and teacher enter and take place in front of stage.]

King Herod: Where was the Messiah supposed to be born?

Priest: In Bethlehem.

Teacher: The prophet said a ruler would come from Bethlehem.

King Herod: I must meet with these wise men.

[3 wise men come back in through foyer doors (stage right) and come to meet King Herod.]

King Herod: Go to Bethlehem and find the child. Then come tell me so I can go and worship him too.

[Everyone exits through door left of stage – back to the hallway.]

***PRESET #2 (Front spotlights dim slightly.)

[Joseph and Mary enter and take place on stage with Jesus. Star enters and stands behind Joseph and Mary.]

***PRESET #3 (Front spotlights go up.)

[Three wise men and three wise men gifts enter. They see the star and make their way to Joseph, Mary, and Jesus. They bow down to Jesus.]

Wise man 1: The star has guided us to Bethlehem!

Wise man 2: We have brought gifts for the child, the King of the Jews!

Wise Man 3: We are filled with joy for we have seen the Messiah!

[Three wise men present the gifts to Joseph and Mary and return to bowing position. Three wise men gifts stand beside Joseph and Mary, next to Jesus.]

*** PRESET #1 (All lights go up.)

Narrator: The wise men did not actually see Jesus right after He was born, when He was just a little baby like what you just saw. They actually came to see Him when He was a couple of years old. They were overjoyed to see Jesus. They bowed down and worshiped Him and gave Him gifts. When it was

time for them to leave, they returned to their country by a different way than they had come, for God had warned them in a dream not to return to Herod.

You have just seen the story of Jesus' birth. Jesus came from God, but was born a baby, just like you and me. He was fully God and fully human. He came to save us from our sin. This was a gift of God, showing God's grace and how much He loves us. We have the opportunity to respond in worship to what God has done for us. We can believe that Jesus is our Savior and trust that He did come to save us from our sin. As you celebrate this time of year, Christmas, make sure to remember the true meaning of this holiday. It is more than just getting the toys and gifts we want. It is sharing the love that God poured out to us with those around us, and remembering that God sent His one and only Son, Jesus Christ, to earth to save us from our sin. Have a Merry Christmas!

Song: O Come All Ye Faithful

THE END



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