

Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

1. Maybe the resolution to your deepest questions isn't an _____; maybe it's a _____.
2. The Magi were _____ in the stars.
3. Most of us _____ to deep questions from time to time.
4. A lot of times, when we are _____, what we really want is a person.
5. For the Magi, what started in the sky ended with _____.
6. They were looking for an answer but _____ instead.
7. _____ literally means, "God with us."
8. Maybe a _____ will satisfy you more deeply than you can imagine.



HEART & HANDS CHRISTMAS OFFERING

FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

*David shepherded them with integrity of heart;
with skillful hands he led them (Psalm 78:72).*

GOAL: 100% / \$80,000 (\$40K Outreach and \$40K Innovation)

Why do we have a Special Christmas Offering? The **CHRISTMAS OFFERING** is an opportunity for us to grow in our faith. It prepares us for what God wants to do through our church in 2018. It positions us to make a greater impact. Some of the most meaningful ministry we do is funded each year by the Christmas Offering.

What's the Difference Between the Regular Offering and this Christmas Offering? The regular 4 Corners Church offering is the amount that we give to support our regular ministry operations. The **CHRISTMAS OFFERING** is in addition to our normal giving. It goes above and beyond the routine so we can make a bigger impact into very special ministries to children.

How Much Should I Give? The precise amount you give is between you and the Lord. We like to think of it as bringing our best gift to Jesus for Christmas. Some 4Cers match their **CHRISTMAS OFFERING** with their most expensive Christmas gift. The issue is not equal giving, but equal sacrifice.

When Should I Give? The best time to give is right away. Early giving allows us to communicate with confidence to the partners we are supporting. The second-best time to give is on or before our Christmas Eve service. However, you can continue to give until January 31, 2018.

Can I Give Online Through Auto-Debit? Yes. Simply go online (www.4CornersChurch.com) and select the GIVE tab. You'll see **CHRISTMAS OFFERING** from the list of giving options. Also, you can give **Stocks and Bonds**. Since 4 Corners Church is a 501c3 organization, there can be tremendous tax benefits for you by giving this way. For information contact Ilse Pieters at Ilse@4CornersChurch.com or call 513.847.4505.

Are My Gifts Tax-Deductible? Yes. All gifts to 4 Corners Church, whether through the regular offering or this Christmas Offering, are completely tax-deductible for the year in which they are given.

Four Corners Church exists to provide families in north Cincinnati their best opportunity to become fully-developing followers of Jesus