

"Starbright"

Matthew 2:1-12

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Elizabeth and Barabas were walking to the car in her driveway in the dark. Elizabeth said "Wow, when it is this dark, I can barely see in front of my nose!"

"Well" said Barabas, "Actually, when it is this dark, you can see farther than at any other time of day, because you can see stars that are 1,000,000,000 miles away!"

"I never thought of that!" said Elizabeth! She looked up and saw at least 500 stars!

So, she said "Star light, star bright, first star I see tonight. I wish I may, I wish I might, have the wish I wish tonight."

"Actually," said Barabas "You can't really wish on a star. Stars do not grant you wishes. That is just fun stuff that is not real."

"So, what are stars for then?" she asked. And they pondered this for a while.

Then Elizabeth said; "I think God wanted to have a beautiful creation, so he put the sun in the sky in the daytime, so we could see it and he put the stars and the moon in the sky at night, so we would know we are not alone."

They thought about how they always look for the star in the steeple window at Christmas. You can see it for miles!

"Yeah, and Columbus did not have a GPS when he sailed to America, so he used the stars in the sky to navigate."

"Oh, and," Elizabeth suddenly had a brain storm. "There was a star in the sky over where Jesus was when he was a baby and the Wise Men noticed it was something NEW and they figured it meant a NEW king was born and they figured that meant they had to travel way to Bethlehem to see this NEW King!" Those wise men may have traveled for a very long time to arrive in Bethlehem!

"Oh yeah," said Barabas.

Elizabeth and Barabas decided that God has done a mighty fine job making everything in this world work!

Let's close with a prayer:

Dear God, Almighty, thank you for this beautiful creation! Thank you that every morning you paint a NEW sunrise in the sky and a NEW sunset every evening. You didn't just use one over and over, you have made a NEW one every day! Thank you for the sun and the moon and the stars! Oh, and thank you for the brightest light, your son Jesus the Christ! Amen THE END