



# LWML CNH CHRISTIAN LIFE LINE

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### GO THAT OTHER WAY

BRIGHTEST AND BEST OF THE STARS OF THE MORNING,  
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.  
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Matthew 2:1-12 tells the story of The Wise Men, who had spent many hours in study and research before they set out on their long journey. They came from a distant land and traveled a difficult, dangerous way in order to find the King whose star they had seen in the East. So may the light of God's Word shine in our hearts and be our guide, a well-lit path for all our days of joy as well as our days of sorrow.

*Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105*

The Wise Men rejoiced when they saw the star that would lead them to Jesus. So, too, God's Word will lift our spirits, give us strength, and brighten our lives. May the joy found in His promises of forgiveness, redemption, and glory be evident in each of us.

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13*

When the Wise Men at last came to Jesus, they knelt down and worshiped Him. They had found the Savior and were the first Gentiles to come to faith in the Savior. They presented Him with their most precious gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. This is the meaning of Epiphany – God has sent His Son to all people. So we are reminded that our gifts – which include our mites – will bring word of that Savior to all people everywhere.

Shall we not yield Him, in costly devotion,  
Fragrance of Edom and offerings divine,  
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,  
Myrrh from the forest and gold from the mine?  
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*But now in Christ Jesus, you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in His flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in Himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which He put to death their hostility.*  
Ephesians 2:13-16

After the Wise Men had worshiped Jesus, they were warned not to return to Herod, so they returned home another way. God's Word can be an instrument for change in our lives. From that Word, we can learn to turn our worries over to the Lord. When we give Him our problems, we have taken a step going on that "other way."

*For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring Word of God. For, "All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the Word of the Lord stands forever."*

1 Peter 1:23-25

AS WITH GLADNESS MEN OF OLD Did the guiding star behold;  
As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward beaming bright;  
So most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led by Thee.

As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to Thy lowly bed,  
There to bend the knee before Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;  
So may we with willing feet Ever seek Thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare At Thy cradle, rude and bare,  
So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ to Thee, our heav'nly King.

Holy Jesus, ev'ry day Keep us in the narrow way;  
And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last  
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

In the heav'nly country bright Need they no created light;  
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;  
There forever may we sing, "Alleluias to our King."

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