



Preschool Lesson



Lesson 2: “Counselor”



Whatchagaddaknow:

“When I Don’t Know What To Do, I Know God Will See Me Through!”



Power Verse:

“The Lord says, ‘I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.’”

- Psalm 32:8

Before the Lesson

- * Collect the items for the activities you plan to use, referring to the Classroom Supplies and Lesson Manual Supplies listed in the chart.
- * Pray for your students and for God’s direction in teaching the class.

This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Bible Story – This week, the kids will learn from the story of the wisemen following God’s guidance (Matthew 2:1-18).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 5-8)
Hands-On-Learning – The kids will learn that Jesus is our COUNSELOR!	No supplies needed	
Craft Option #1 – Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 9)
Craft Option #2 - Star Craft	Crayons or markers, glue, glitter, cardstock	Star Craft Print Piece (pg. 10)
Craft Option #3 – Jesus Is My Counselor Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Jesus Is My Counselor Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 11)



Bible Story

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Pictures (provided on pg. 5-8)

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.

Say- King Herod was the king of Judea, where many of the Jewish people lived. He was not a very good king. Herod did not treat his people fairly.

Say- One day, King Herod got a visit from three wise men who had come from a long distance. *(show pic)* They asked him, “Where is the new King of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose in the East, and we have come to worship him.”

Say- King Herod was confused. After all, HE was the king of the Jewish people. Who could these wise men be talking about? Herod asked some of his priests and philosophers, and they gave him the answer. They were talking about Jesus!

Say- King Herod was angry. He was not excited at all about losing his throne to this new baby, Jesus. So, King Herod made a plan to get rid of Jesus. *(show pic)*

Say- Herod told the wise men, “Go to Bethlehem, then come back and tell me where the new king is staying. I want to go worship him also.” The truth is, King Herod did NOT want to worship Jesus. Herod wanted to send his soldiers to kill the newborn King of the Jews, Jesus. *(show pic)*

Say- So, the wise men left Herod and traveled until they found the home where Jesus was staying in Bethlehem. When they arrived, they gave Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Then, before they left to return to Herod, God gave the wise men a dream. *(show pic)*

Say- God told them to return home without telling Herod where Jesus was staying. When Herod didn’t see the wise men return, he was VERY angry. He ordered his soldiers to go to Bethlehem and kill every baby boy that was under two years old. Because of the dream God gave the wise men, baby Jesus was safe away from King Herod and his soldiers.

Say- God knew they needed help, so He gave them wisdom. Even the wise men needed a wise Counselor!

Pray



Hands-On Learning

Supplies Needed: None

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see any illustration materials.

Say- Let’s talk about the word COUNSELOR!

Say- Say “counselor” with me! *(Say the word aloud with the kids)*

Say- A counselor is someone who listens and helps when you’re not sure what to do.

Say- There can be so many times when we don’t know what to do, what to say, or where to go. We can have lots of questions in life.

Ask- So, who is the BEST helper when we don’t know what to do?

-Allow time for response-

Say- That’s right! Jesus is the BEST counselor!

Say- Jesus is the best counselor because He already knows everything about you! The Bible says that God knows so much about you that He even knows how many hairs are on your head. Touch your head and try to count the hairs. *(Try to count your hair along with the kids)*

Say- Ok, there are WAY too many hairs on my head for me to count. But Jesus knows exactly how many there are. He knows everything about my life.

Say- Jesus knows every time you feel sad, happy, mad, scared, alone, tired, hurt, and silly!

Say- Jesus knows everything about you, and He cares about every part of your life. Because Jesus knows everything about you, He is the BEST counselor.

Say- Jesus always listens, cares, and knows exactly what you should do. When you need help, talk to Jesus, your COUNSELOR!

Say- Let’s say this together: When I don’t know what to do, I know God will see me through! *(Say the phrase aloud with the kids)*



Craft #1: Bible Story Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 9); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



Craft #2: Star Craft

Supplies Needed: Star Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 10); Crayons or markers; Glue; Glitter; Cardstock

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Star Craft Print Pieces. This will work best if printed on cardstock. Make sure you have enough craft pages for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for crafting.

How To Do Craft - Allow the kids to decorate the design. Place glue on the star, then cover the glue with glitter. Shake off the excess to reveal a shining star! As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how Jesus is our counselor!



Craft #3: Jesus Is My Counselor Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: Jesus Is My Counselor Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 11); Crayons or markers

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Jesus Is My Counselor Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.

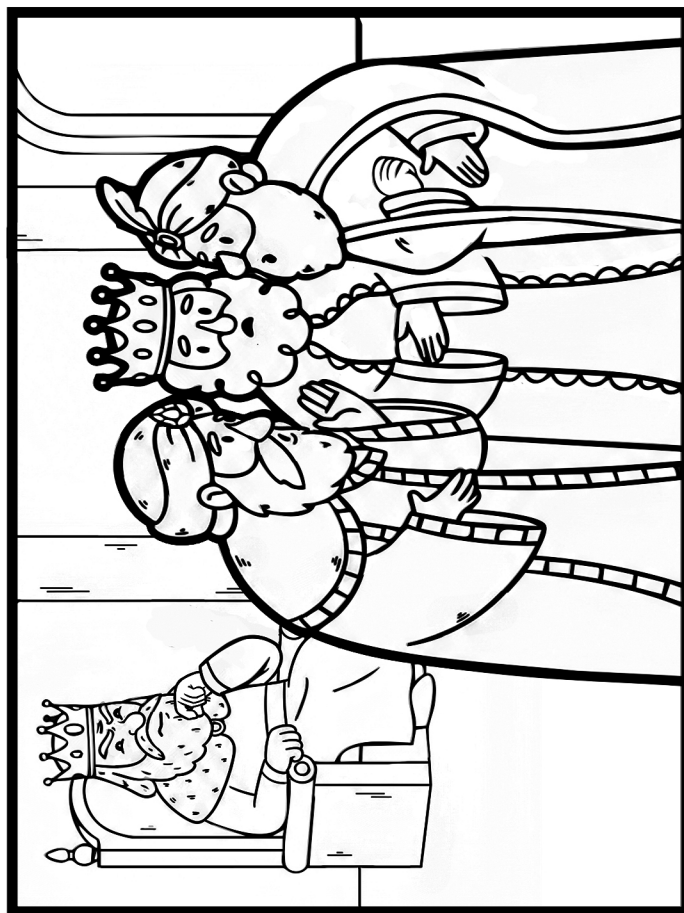
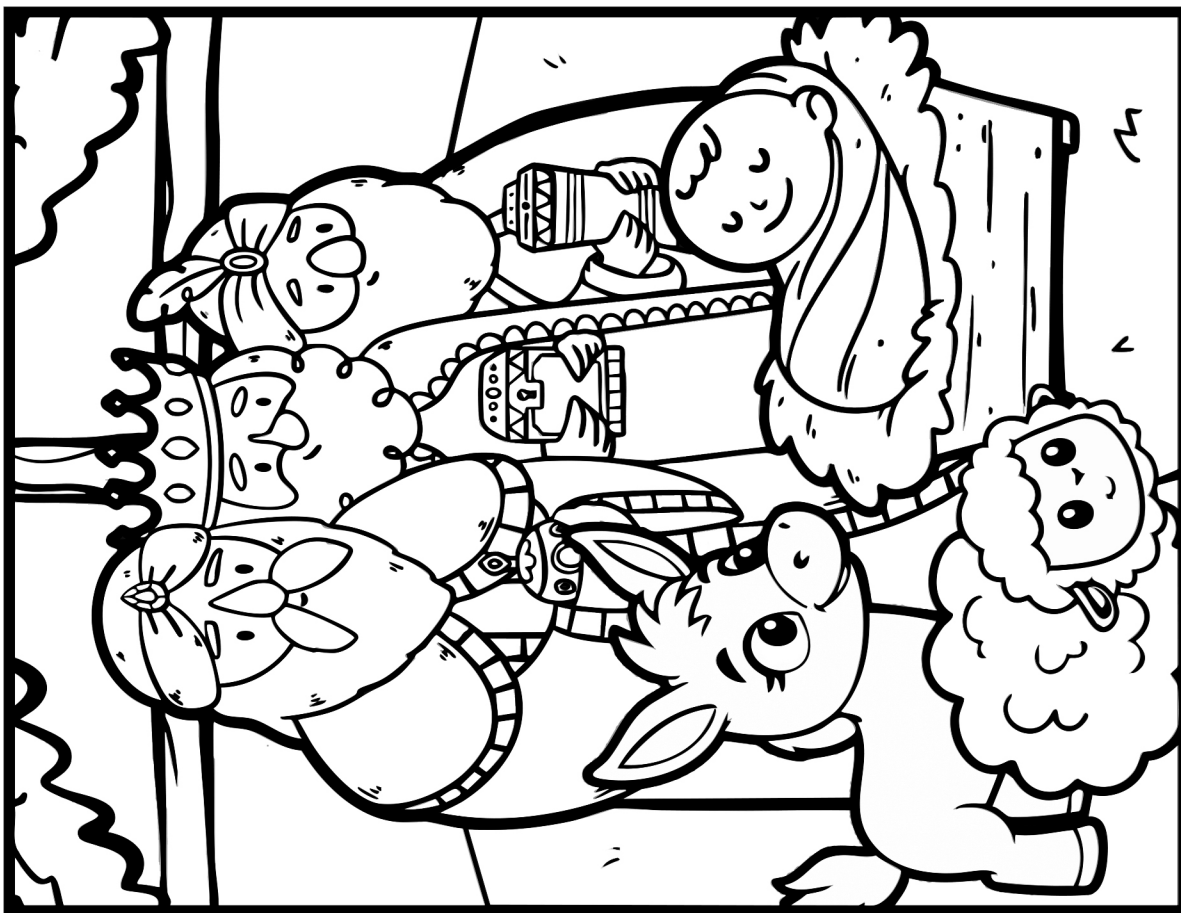
How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



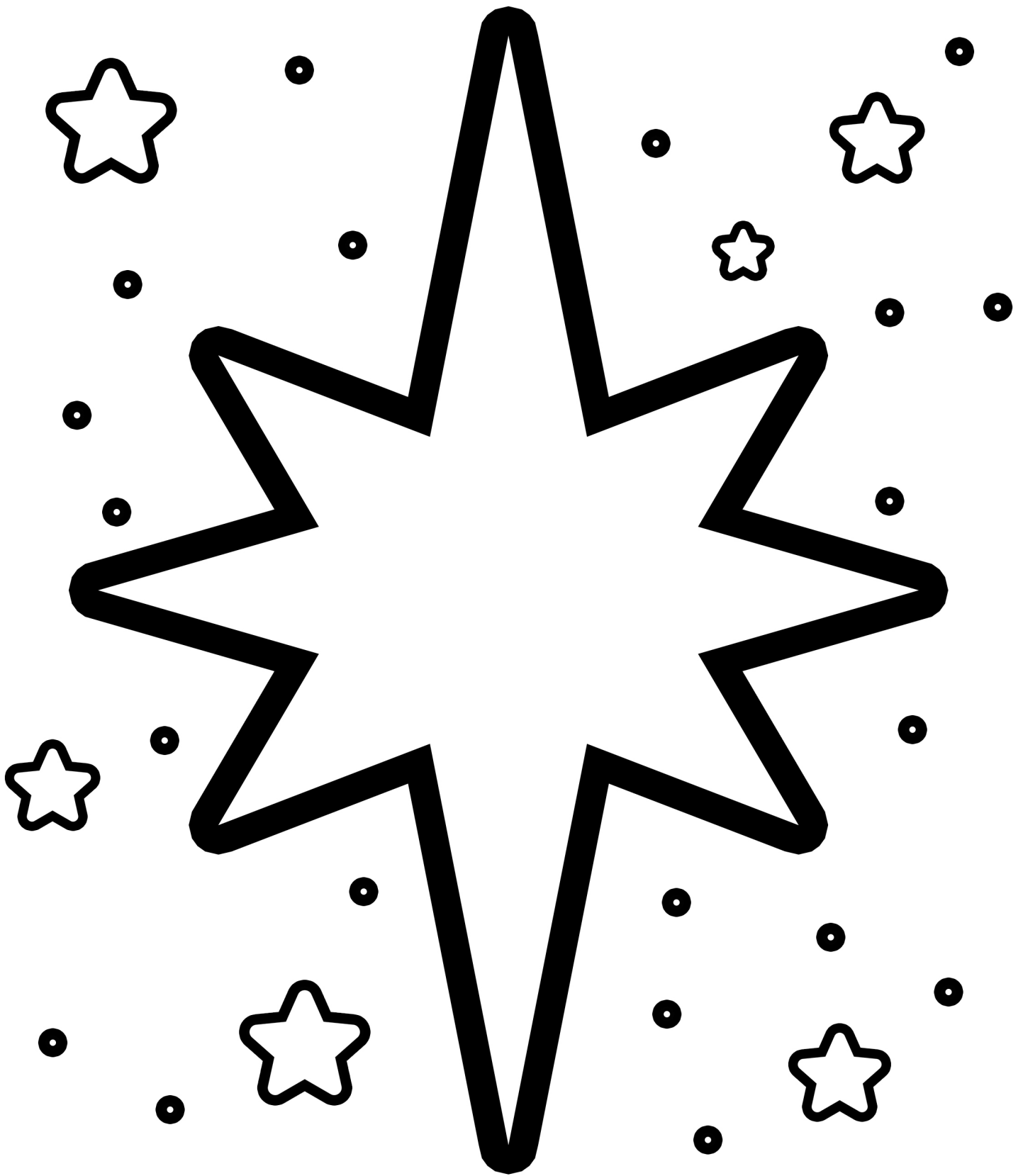




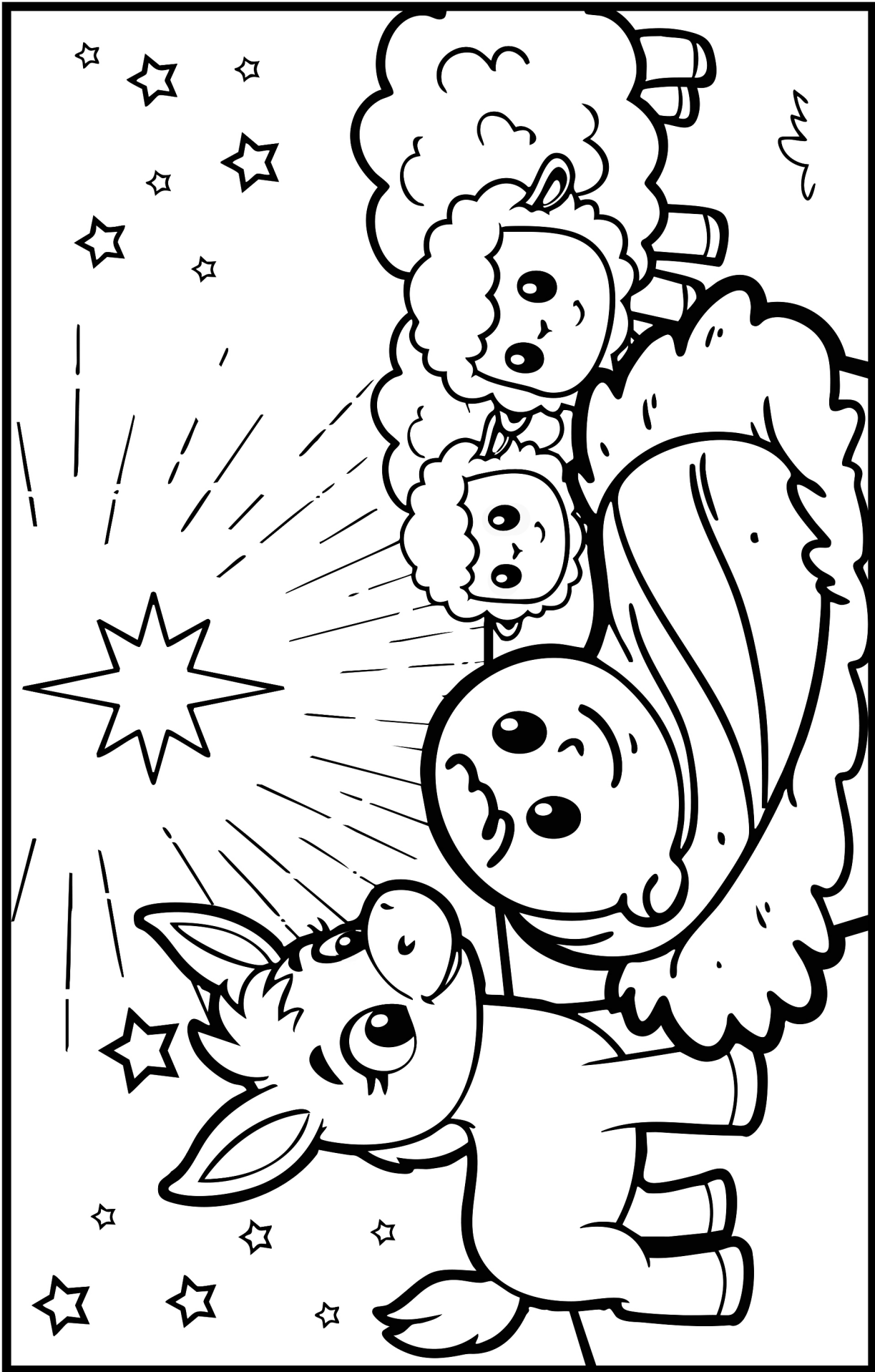




**WHEN THE WISEMEN NEEDED HELP,
THEY LISTENED TO GOD!**



**THE WISEMEN FOLLOWED A STAR
TO FIND BABY JESUS!**



JESUS IS MY COUNSELOR!