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When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened."

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And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

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And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told them concerning this child.

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And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them.

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But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart.

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And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen.

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When Herod the king heard about the birth of Jesus, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

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Then Herod assembled the wise men secretly and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child."

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When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo the star which they had seen in the East went before them till it came to rest over the place where the child was.

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When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy, and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother and they fell down and worshiped him.

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Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

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And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.