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Message in the sky

Have you ever tried to count the stars in the sky? On a clear night away from city lights, you could count for a very long time. Though scientists have tried to number the stars in the universe, they still don't know exactly how many there are. God made billions and billions of stars! Some are so far away from Earth they can only be seen with powerful telescopes (Hubble telescope shown).



God once asked Abraham if he could count the stars. Of course, Abraham could not. God promised Abraham He would give him a large family. God said Abraham's big family would be like the stars in the sky. There would be too many family members to count. God also said one special member of Abraham's family would bless the whole earth.

Many years later, God sent His Son, Jesus, to be born into Abraham's family line. God placed a star in the sky to announce the arrival of the One who would bless the whole earth.

Wise Men who studied the stars saw God's message in the sky. They understood the star meant a special king had been born. They went to look for Jesus because they wanted to worship Him.

The blessing God promised Abraham is for everyone. The biggest family of all is God's family. When we accept Jesus as our Savior, we become part of the family of God.

"Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him" (Matthew 2:2, NIV).

Like the Wise Men, you can come to Jesus and worship Him. God wants you to become a son or daughter in His family.

Did you know?

Though our sun is very hot, it's not the hottest star in the sky. Our sun has an average surface temperature of more than 10,000 degrees Fahrenheit. Some stars burn at a sizzling 36,000 degrees Fahrenheit. If one of these super hot stars were in our solar system, it would melt Earth!

Stars appear to twinkle because light waves bend as they pass through Earth's atmosphere.



JUST FOR laughs

If athletes get athlete's foot, what do astronauts get?
Missile toe.

What kind of star is covered with water?
A starfish.



Try this!

Try to find these words:

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| Comet | Planet |
| Meteor | Sun |
| Space | Orbit |

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I P L U D A H E
S L A Q A O M O
O A M C O M E T
R N F J E L T C
B E R T S Y E S
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