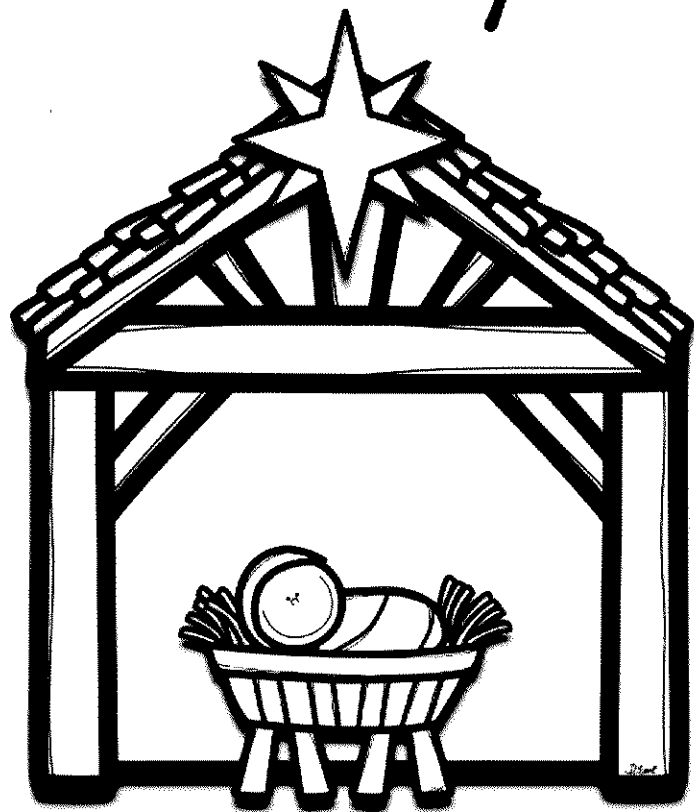


The Nativity Story



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A long time ago in the town of Nazareth, an angel appeared in the sky and spoke to Mary. The angel told Mary that she would have a son named Jesus and he would be the son of God.

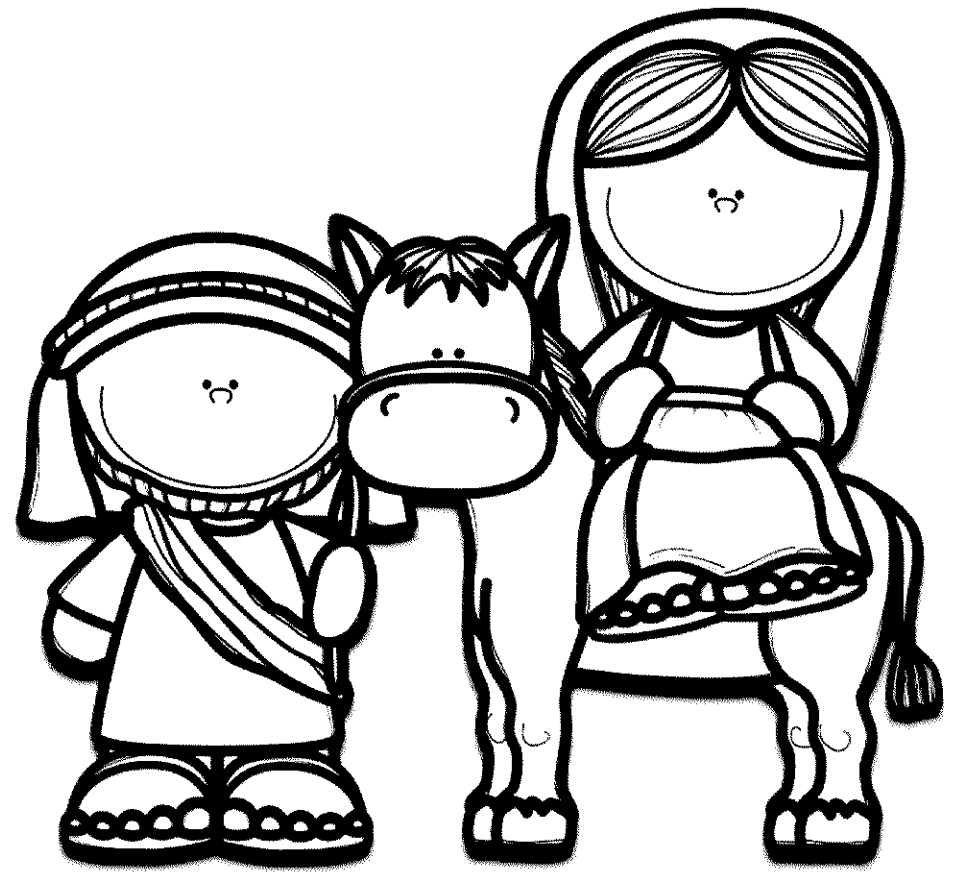


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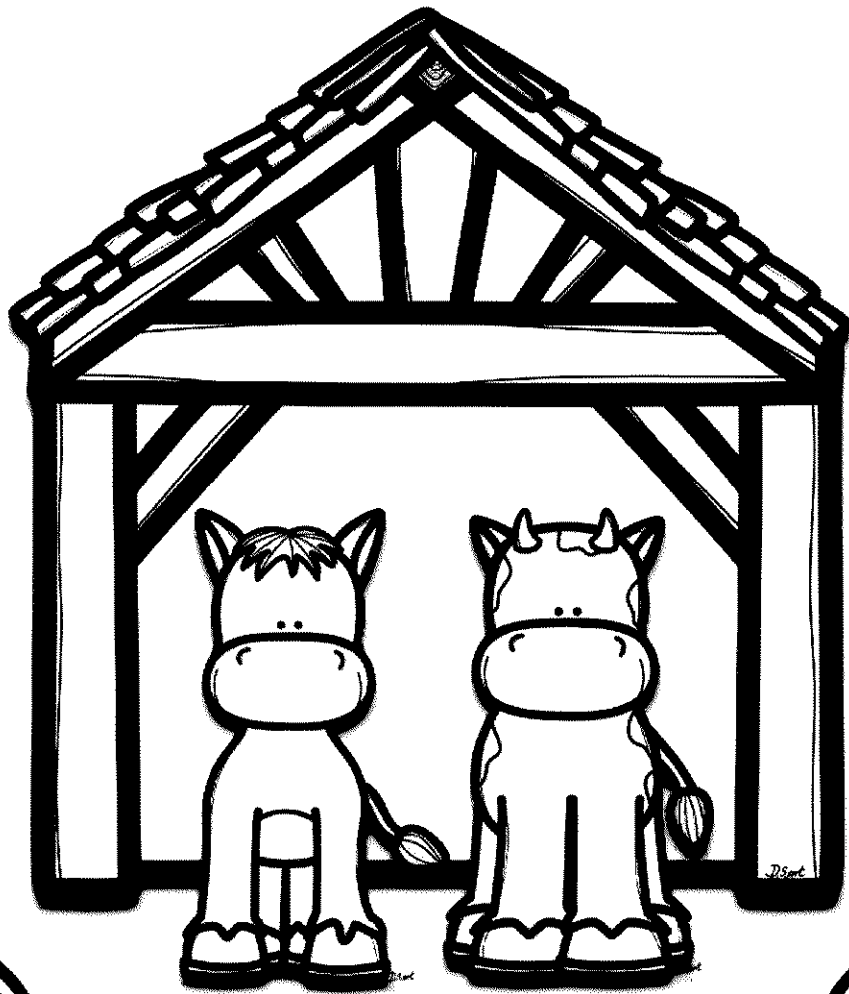
Mary was soon to be married to Joseph, who was confused by this news. An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream, telling him not to be afraid.



Several months later, Mary and Joseph needed to travel to Bethlehem. It was a long and tiring journey for Mary and Joseph.



When they arrived in Bethlehem, it was very crowded and there was no room for them to stay at the inn. Mary and Joseph had to stay in a stable with the animals.



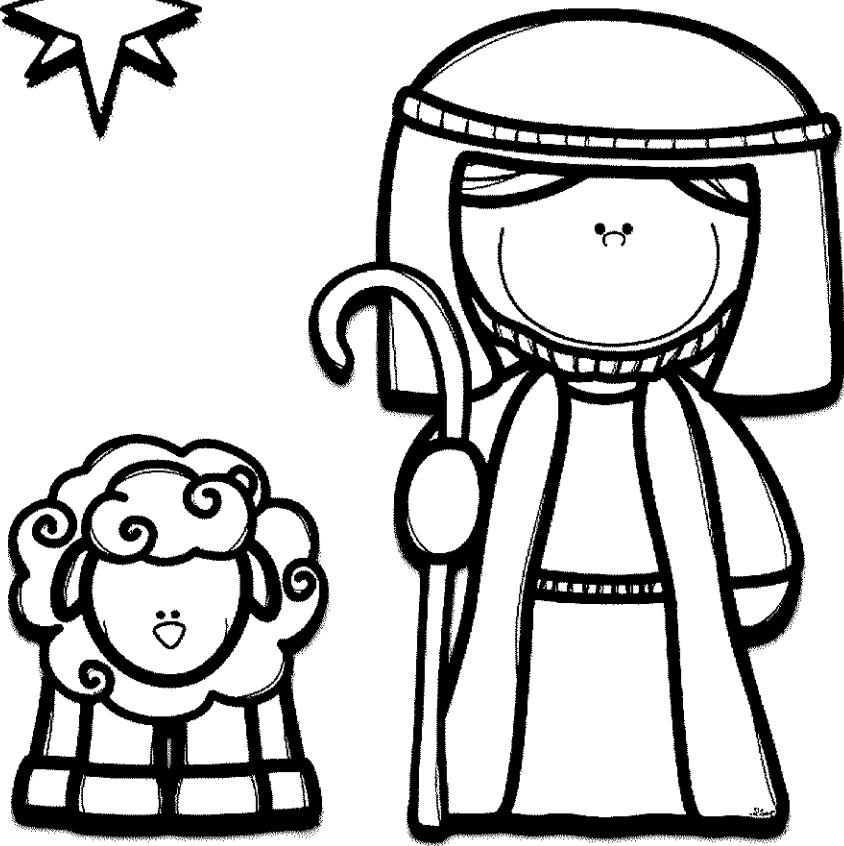
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That night, Mary gave birth to baby Jesus. She wrapped him in cloth and placed him in a manger. A bright star shone in the sky above the stable where Jesus laid.

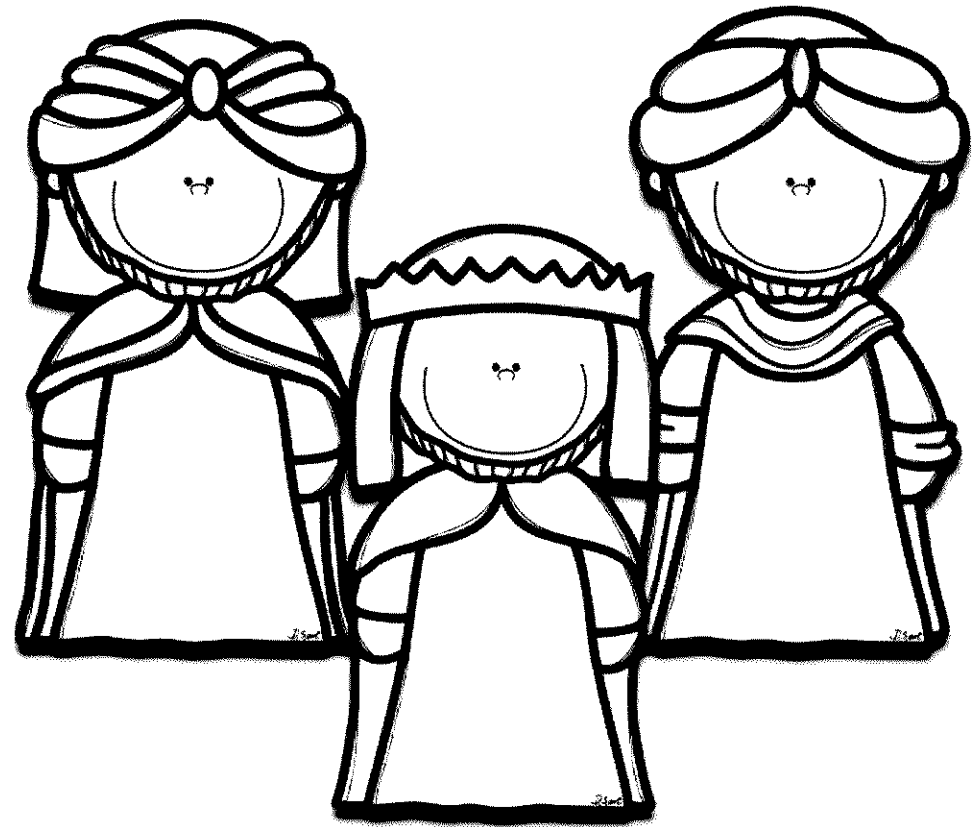


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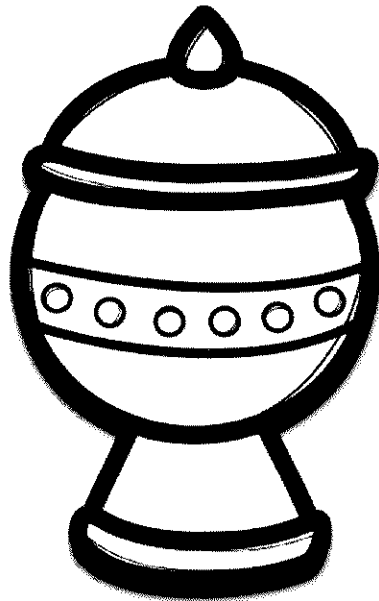
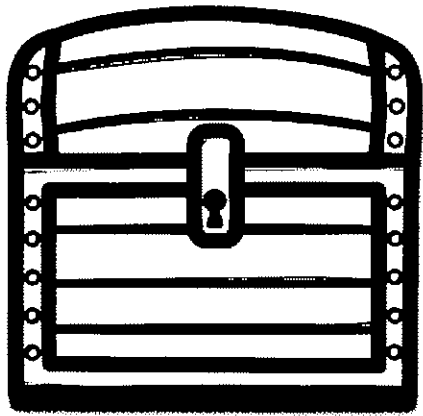
Shepherds were in the field watching their flock of sheep when angels began to sing in the sky, spreading news that a King had been born!



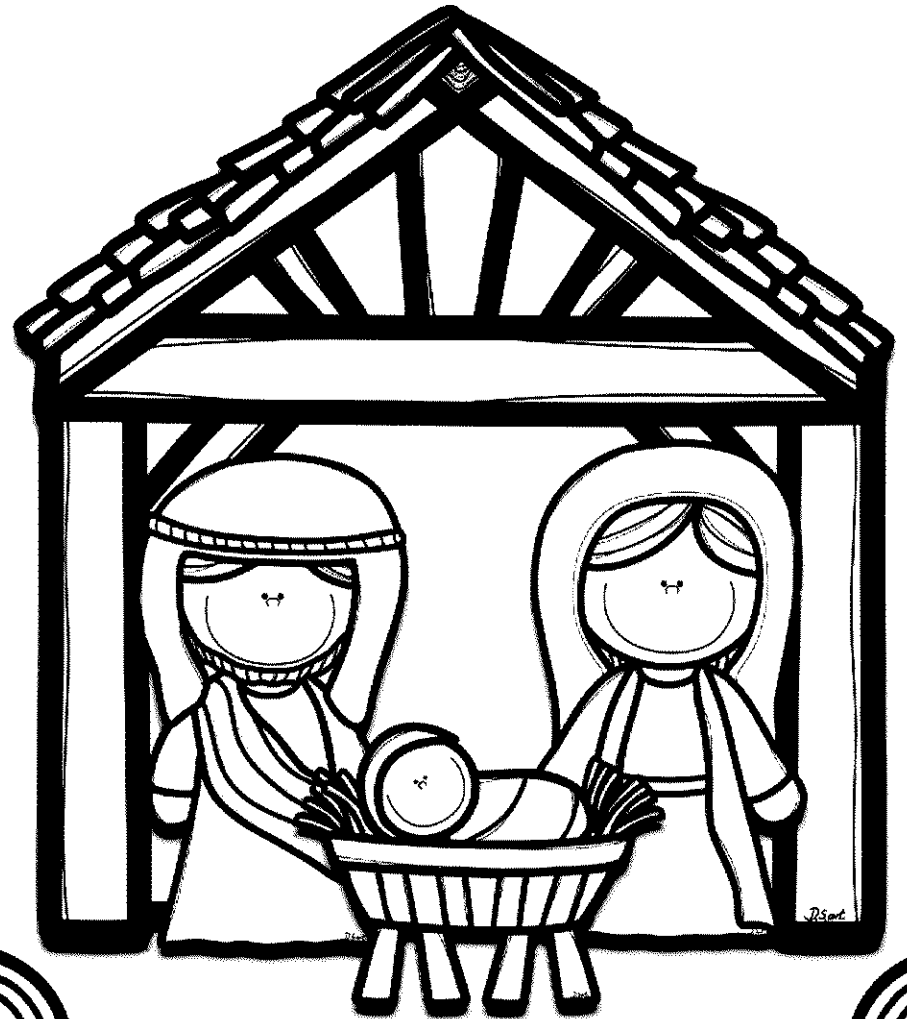
Wise men also noticed the bright star in the sky. They followed the star to Bethlehem and found Jesus in the manger.



The Wise men brought the new King
gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

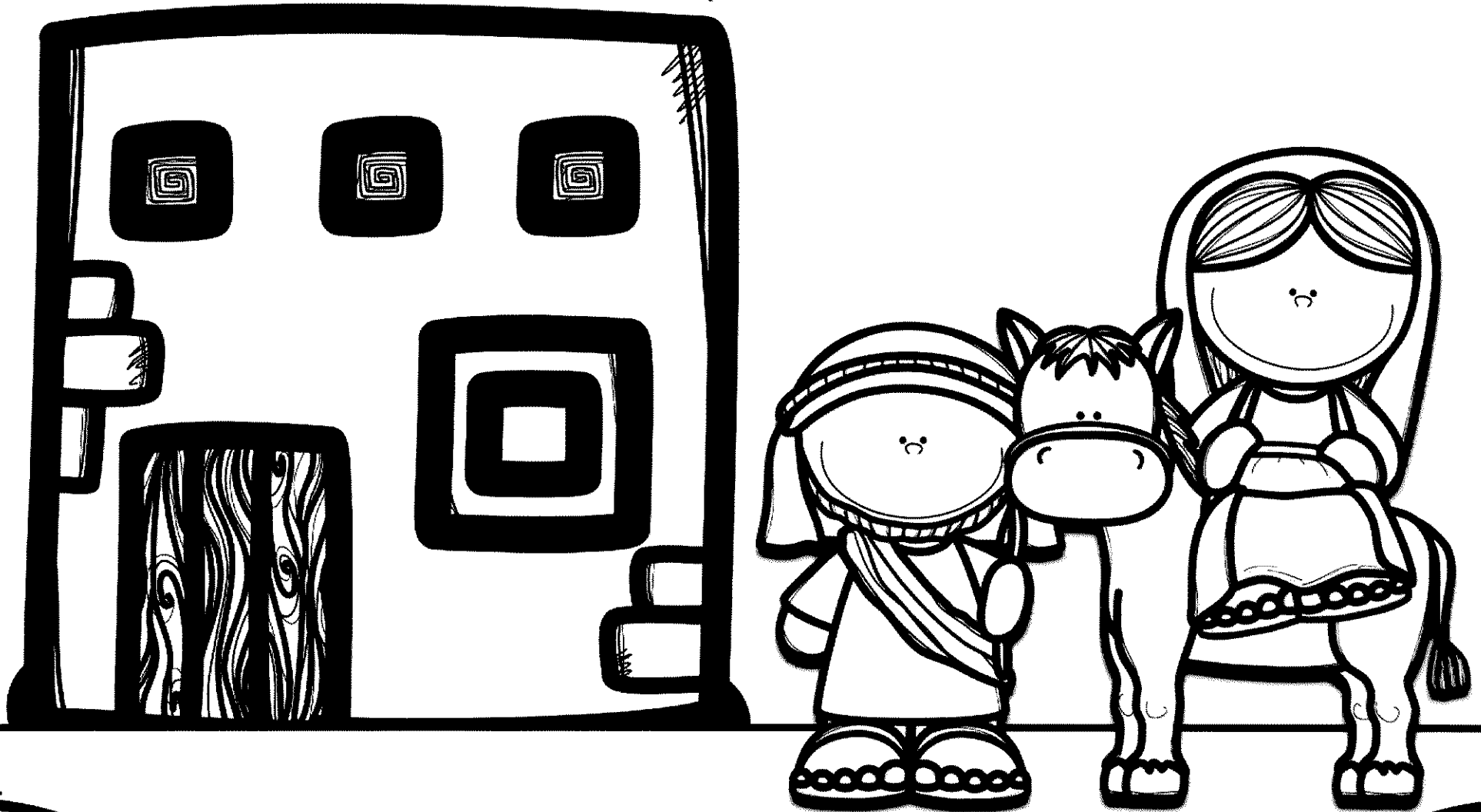


Jesus slept peacefully in the manger,
next to Mary and Joseph and the
animals who kept him warm. The world
was overjoyed to hear the news of baby
Jesus being born.



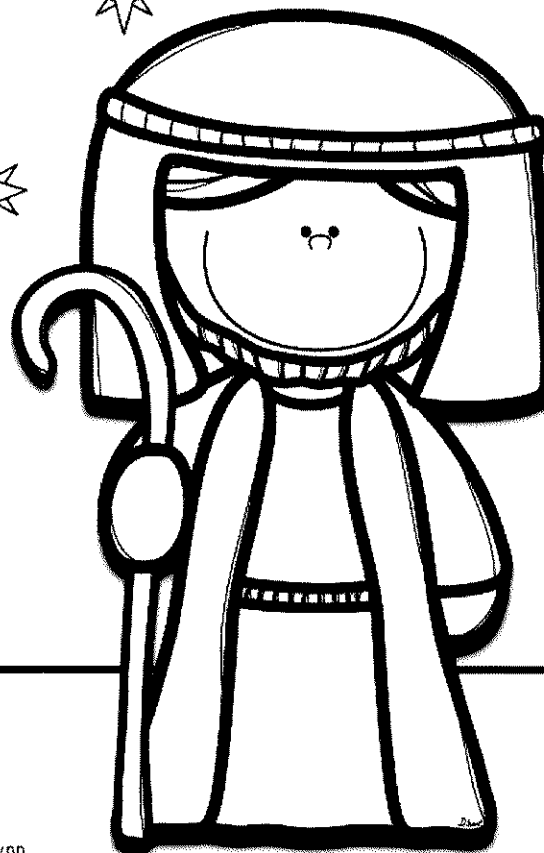
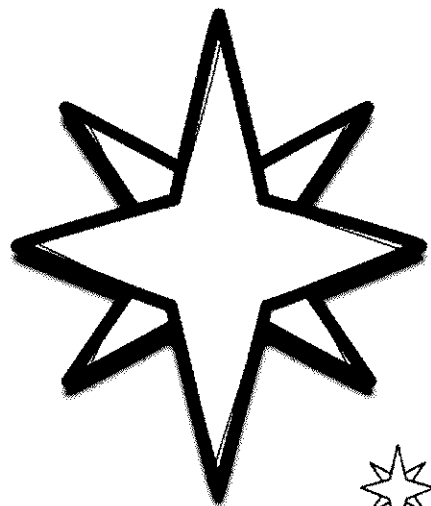
“she brought forth her firstborn son; and she wrapped him in cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.”

~luke 2:7



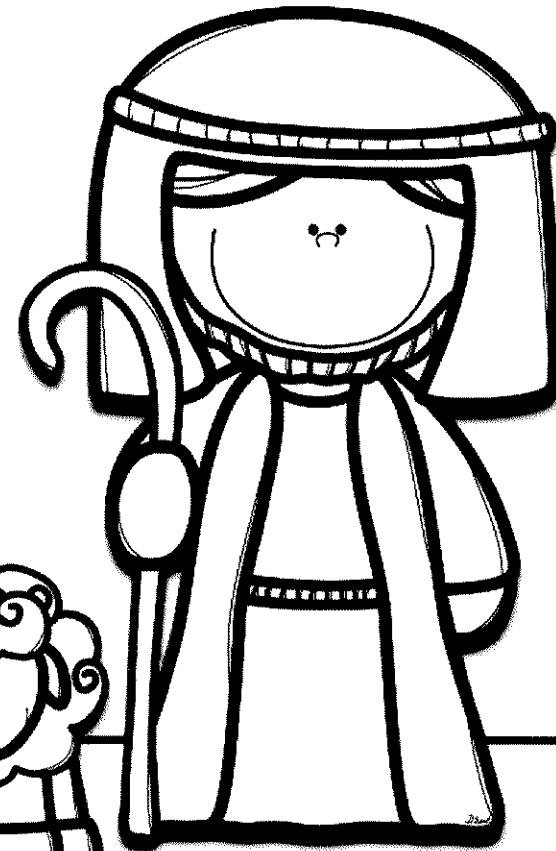
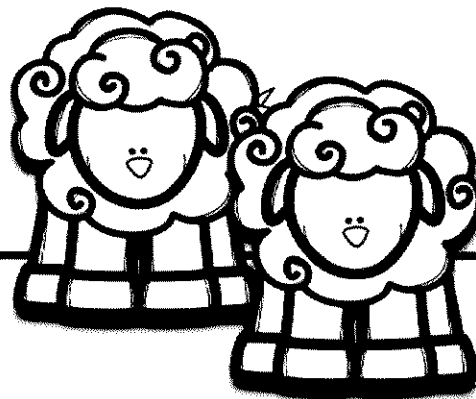
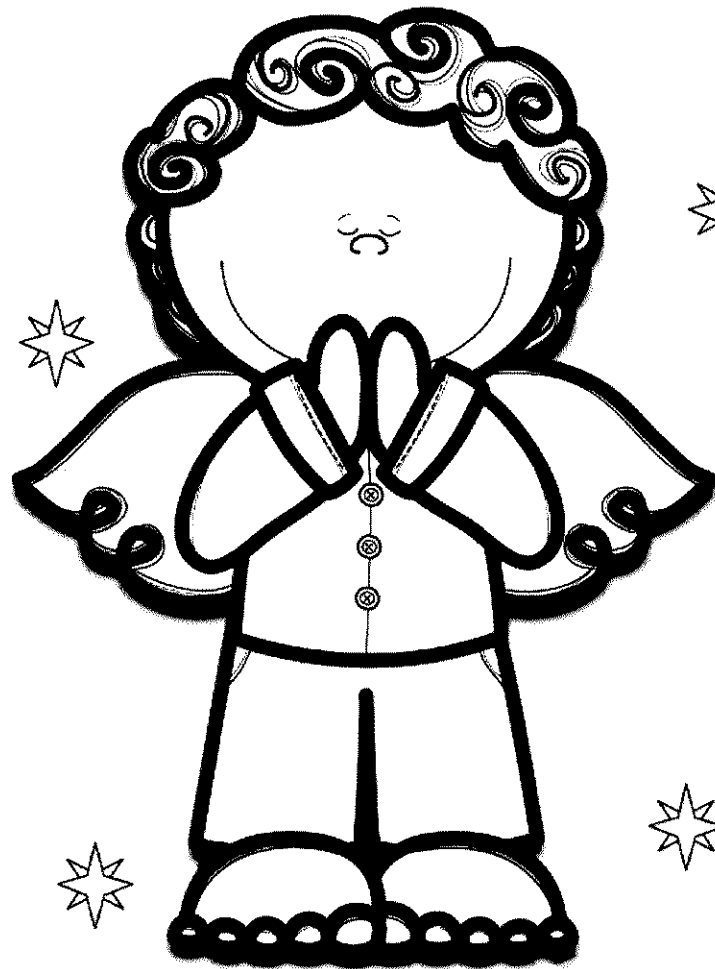
“There were shepherds abiding in the field,
keeping watch by night over their flock. An angel of
the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord
shone around them.”

~luke 2:8-9



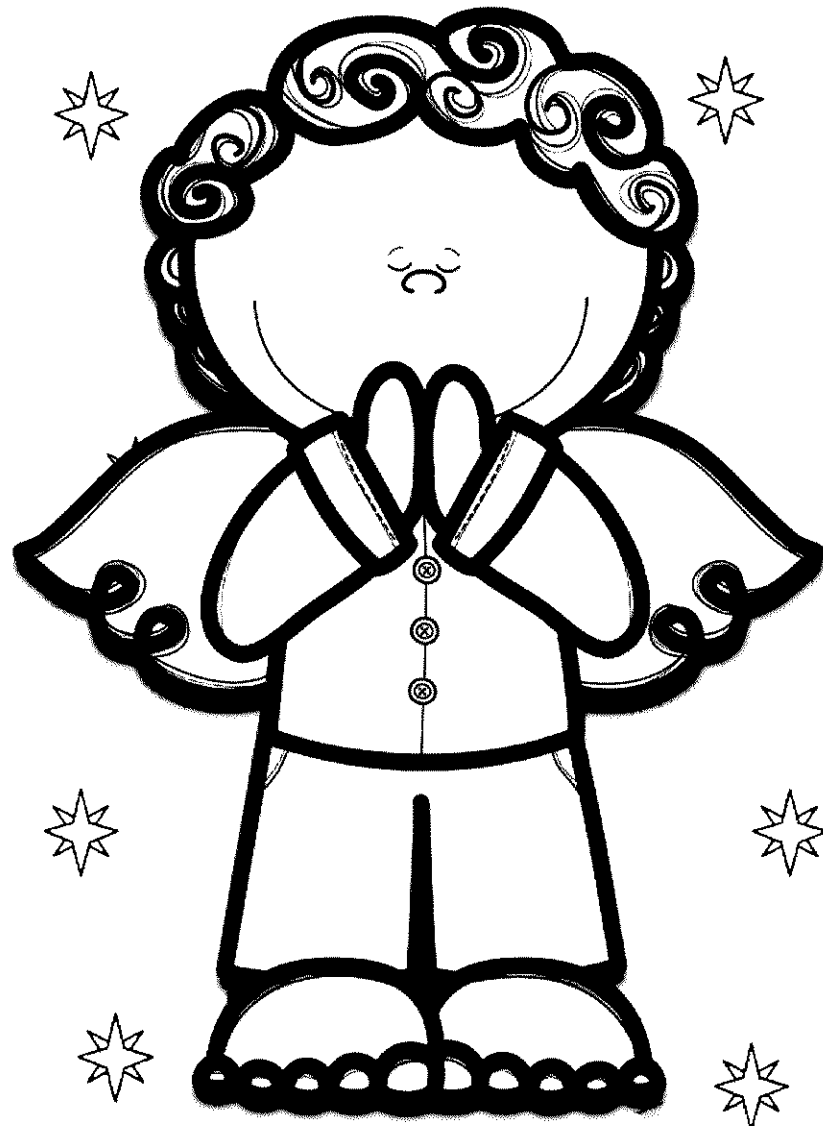
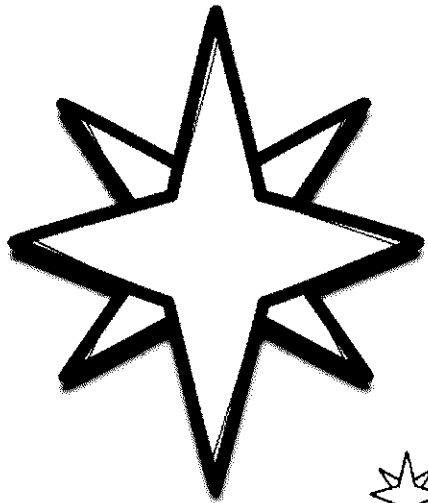
“And this is a sign unto you: You shall find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger.”

~luke 2:12



“Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among men.”

~luke 2:14



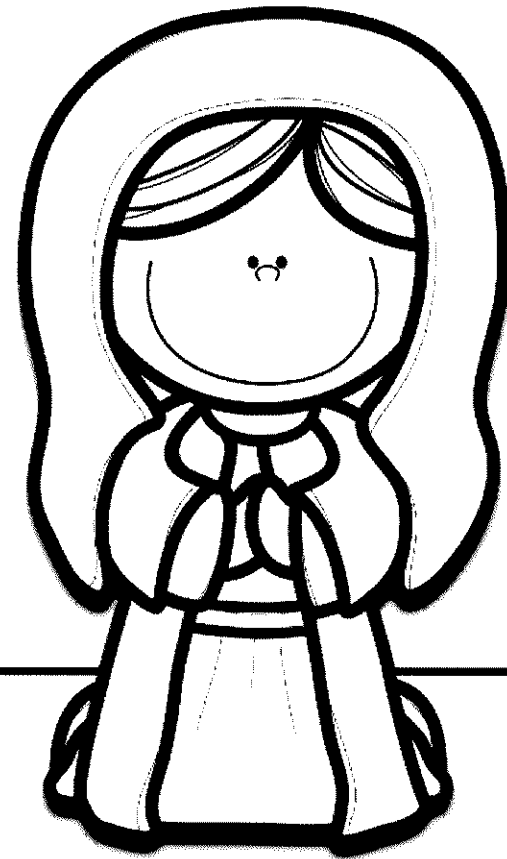
“For unto us a child is born.”

~isaiah 9:6



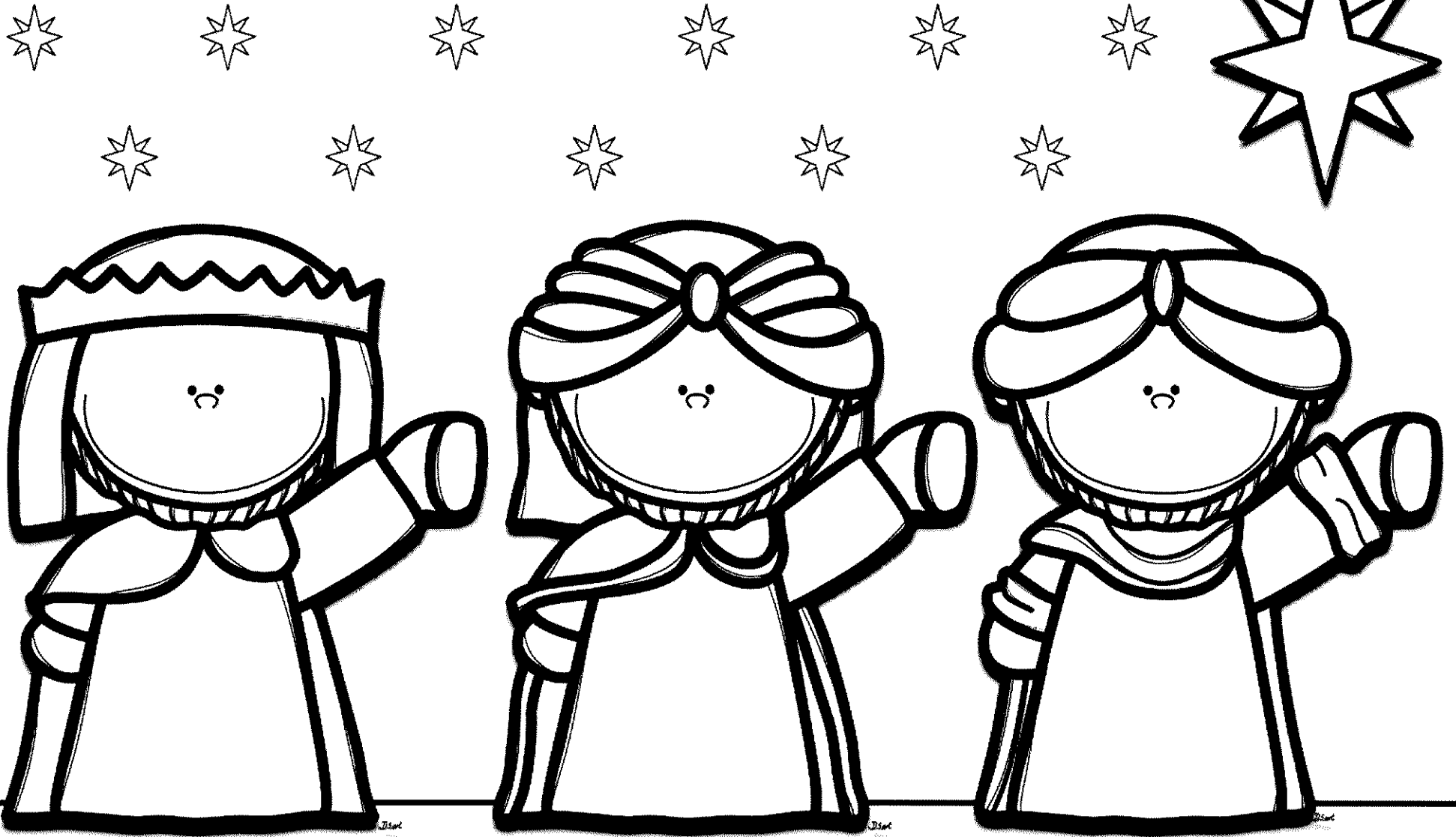
“The angel said unto her, “Fear not, Mary; for you have found favor with God. You will bring forth a son, and shall call his name Jesus.”

~luke 1:30-31



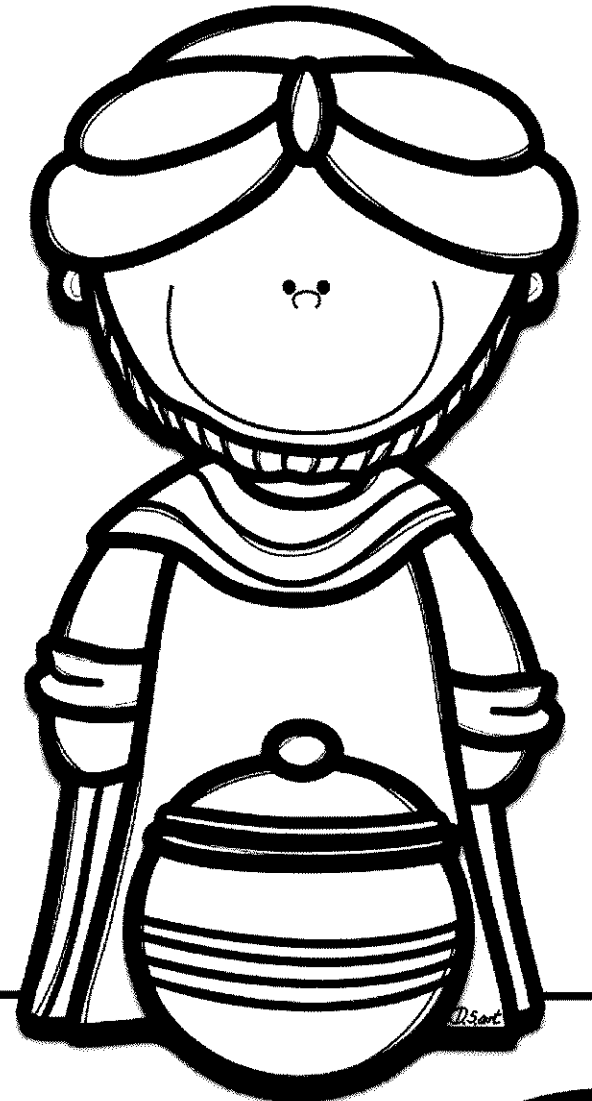
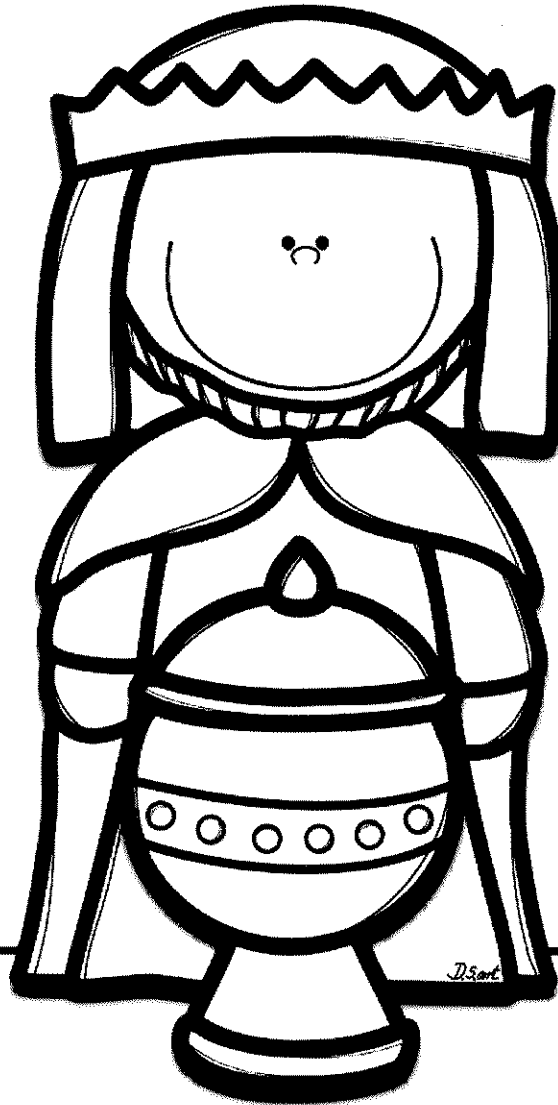
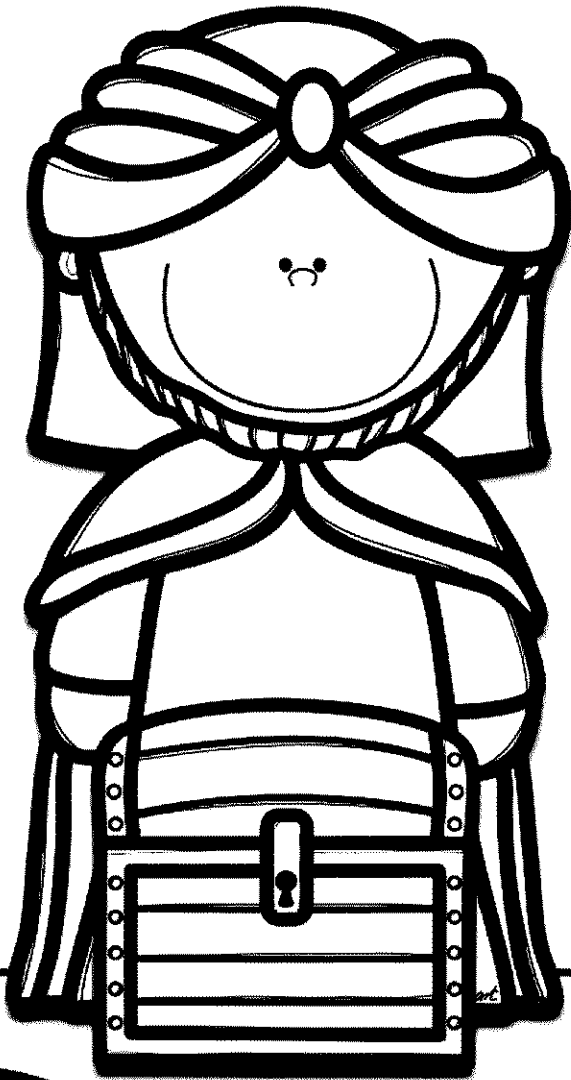
“When they saw the star, they rejoiced.”

~matthew 2:10



“Opening their treasures, they offered unto him
gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”

~matthew 2:11



“For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”

john 3:16



“Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift!”

~2 corinthians 9:15



“God gave unto us eternal life,
and this life is in His Son.”

~1 john 5:11

