Feast of Epiphany – Year B

- I. Today is Feast of Epiphany – last of the Christmas season
 - Was Christmas good for you Did you get a lot of presents?
 - Well thank the wise men, because of them gift giving tradition.
 - What started their journey was the star Light of the star, for them, signaled a new King of the Jews (secular king, not a religious one)
- II. Epiphany means "Revelation"

My grandson is 3, he is full of questions

God answers our questions one way – the revelation of His Son It begins today

It's not a 1x event in the past – Jesus is revealed to the Magi & to the world! It's an ongoing reality – Every day can be Epiphany - for ME and for YOU

Here's the truth of Magi:

They see the star

Through the grace of God "Desire to seek Him"

Through the grace of God – they find Him

Through the grace of God – Jesus is revealed as King of Jews

Revealed to these foreigners – to all nations, beyond Israel

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THEY SAW – THEY UNDERSTOOD – THEY ACTED

Listen: Jesus says "No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father" God uses many means to draw people to Jesus

Some men – by dating Godly women

Some parents – by children or grandchildren

Some people – by Christian celebrities

Who cares how it happens

What matters is that people are drawn to Jesus

- Through the grace of God, YOU may be the star that draws someone to find Jesus
- There are people that God has planned to draw to Jesus by YOUR light

We have been shown Jesus – He is the light of the world

The Light of Christ has been passed to us

We have responsibility to share it

At pearly gates St. Peter isn't going to ask what did your church do with the light

Or what did your bishops do – Or what did your priests do –

He'll ask, what did you do with the light

As we come to the end of the Christmas season

I pray that YOU may shine like stars in the sky and reflect glory of God So when they find YOU – they find Jesus