## Feast of Epiphany – Year B

## My Witness – Life Changing Epiphany

Epiphany means "Revelation" & today, through Magi, Jesus is revealed to the world BUT the Epiphany is not a 1x event in the past – Every Day can be an Epiphany – For ME and for YOU

1. As we hear about the Magi and their journey, lets reflect on <u>OUR</u> journey What's our destination?

Are we on the right road that leads there? OR

Is it another light that may bring us to darker places?

There was a major industrial company whose Board wanted to shake things up They hired a new tough CEO – First day he walked onto the mfg floor and saw a man leaning against a wall not doing anything. He walks up, asks how much he makes. He says, '\$400/wk, why'. He hands him \$1600 and screams 'here's a months pay now get out and don't come back'. Feeling pretty good he asks the crowd, 'Does anybody know what that goofball did around here?' From the back of the room 'He was the pizza delivery boy from Dominos'

There is a difference between a star reflecting his own glory Versus one reflecting God's glory – who are we following?

- 2. In our lives some people will be highly influential (OUR STARS) some GOOD, some BAD
  - The Good Love us Support us Guide us Even when we leave the right path
  - The Bad *encouraging us to stray* from path of righteousness

Who were the bright lights in your life? Who were the dark ones?

- 3. Here's another question:
  - For whom have we been guiding lights A N D where are we leading them?
- 4. Jesus says "No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father"

God uses many means to draw people

## 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
- God wants to draw someone to Jesus by YOUR light → **Bundle of sticks story**
- Jesus is the light of the world and we have been entrusted with that light

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

I pray that YOU may shine and reflect glory of God So when they find YOU – they find Jesus