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Wonder of how

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The Wonder is ...

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John 3:16

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The Wonder is . . .

God gave his son *to die*

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Joseph

an awful reality

Matthew 1:20-21

‘Joseph .. do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.’

The Shepherds

such obvious visitors

Luke 2:15-16

The shepherds said to one another, 'Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.' So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

The Wise Men

three pertinent gifts

Matthew 2:11

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.



Simeon

a hard word

Luke 2:34-35

Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: 'This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.'



Mary

pondered these things

Luke 2:19

But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

*Will you ponder
these things?*

Do you need to be
rescued from
anything this
Christmas?



