

The Christmas Story In You

Responsive Reading

LEADER: The angel Gabriel, who was sent to Mary, represents that in you, which announces the coming of great good into your life. It is the inspiration of Truth, which tells you that wonderful ideas can be born to and through you.

RESPONSE: I am open and receptive to the inspiration of divine ideas. My faith is quickened and I perceive a whole new world of good.

LEADER: Mary, mother of Jesus, represents the ideal emotional state through which great things are born in you. Mary's virginal state symbolizes pure emotions, free from worry, fear, anger and guilt. Peaceful, loving feelings are the mother of all creation.

RESPONSE: I am cleansed and free of limiting emotional attitudes. I am a radiating center of divine love.

LEADER: Joseph represents positive, constructive thinking, the true mate of pure emotions. This is the mental state which affirms the true and right and consents to the birth of God's divine idea in you.

RESPONSE: I center my mind on the reality of Truth. I say "yes" to my good. I say "yes" to life. I say "yes" to unlimited Christ ideas.

LEADER: In this combination of mind and heart, the Christ idea is conceived, but sometimes there is not room in the soul for new ideas because we are too filled with worldly concerns. This is represented by the innkeeper at Bethlehem.

RESPONSE: I expect outer conditions in my life to manifest in an orderly, prosperous, harmonious way. I put God first and open the door of my mind to greater good.

LEADER: Baby Jesus represents the birth of the very best in you. Christ is born in you as joy, love and new ideas. Nurture and protect this realization until it matures as Master and Lord of your life.

RESPONSE: I accept the greater potential of Christ within me. I give my whole attention to my Higher Self in all my thoughts, words, and deeds.

LEADER: The Shepherds in the fields outside Bethlehem represent a guiding attitude in you which is willing to be influenced by the new realization of the Christ.

RESPONSE: I release old thoughts and beliefs holding me in bondage to past experiences. I am eager and free to follow my inner guidance.

LEADER: The wise men represent your latent talents and abilities. If you follow your spiritual motivation, symbolized by the star in the East, you will be led to a new life of self-fulfillment. Gifts of life, joy, health and prosperity will be yours to give the world.

RESPONSE: I give thanks for the gift of inspiration. I am inspired to do my best in all things, and I joyously share my good with others.

LEADER: The true light of Christ is the divinity in you. Christmas is any time you allow the self you are meant to be, to emerge into prominence in your heart, mind, and life.