

JOURNEY TO THE CROSS

Station #3 “Jesus: The Birth of Hope”

You are now facing a window depicting a small town and a brilliant star lighting the night sky. Bethlehem...What a way for the Son of God to come into the world. The Creator King of Heaven and Earth comes down to live among the very people he created. Think of it this way, the Almighty God makes His appearance on earth, not in a palace or a temple, but in a simple barn, to a simple peasant girl and her fiancé. No cheering crowds looked on. No music fit for a king—just some curious barnyard animals sharing their space. The three gifts that the wisemen brought, fit perfectly for the baby Jesus. Gold and frankincense fit for a king. Because he was and is a king. But also myrrh, a valuable spice used for preparing the dead for burial. This young baby came for a purpose. He came to die and to set men free. I wonder if Mary even imagined all that she held in her arms that first night.

Take a second and pray that as you consider the life of Jesus, God will allow you to see Him more clearly tonight, and to live in a closer way...a way that He desperately wants, and you desperately need.

Then, when you are ready, move to Station 4 near the front and center of the sanctuary, and start the next track.