



Morning Star Las Cruces 2026 Discussion Questions

January 4, 2026

Title: And Suddenly

Text: Matthew 2:1-12

1. If you could give a gift to anyone in the world with no limits, what would it be and who would get it? Why?
2. Epiphany celebrates God's revelation in unlikely places. How do you notice God "showing up" unexpectedly in your own life?
3. What stood out to you in the message titled *And Suddenly*? Did a word, image or story shift the way you think about offering or receiving gifts, guidance or grace?
4. Read Matthew 2:1-12. What details in the story catch your attention? What do you notice about the journey, the gifts or the people involved?

Mission and Vision of Morning Star: To point people to the grace of God found in Jesus through inspirational worship, radical inclusion and the alleviation of suffering.

5. The magi brought gifts to Jesus that were costly and meaningful. What does this passage suggest about what it means to bring our best to God or others?

6. The magi traveled far and encountered risk in following the star. How might following God's guidance sometimes feel inconvenient, challenging or even risky in your own life?

7. Read Isaiah 60:1-6. How does Verse 3 especially connect to your understanding of the Epiphany story? What do these passages mean for us in our own faith journeys?

8. Read James 1:17. How does the idea that every good gift comes from God shape the way you think about what you offer and what you receive?

9. Looking at your own life this week, what gifts (time, attention, compassion, resources) could you bring intentionally to someone else or to God's work?

10. How can your group pray for you as you seek to bring your gifts faithfully into the world in this new year?