"Christmas Eve at Pearlside"

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"After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ²and asked, 'Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.'... ⁹and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route." (Matthew 2:1-2, 9-12 NIV)

True worship is <u>VALUING GOD</u> above all things.

A heart of worship includes the right:

PERSPECTIVE.

"When they saw the star, they were overjoyed." (v. 10)

• We <u>RECOGNIZE</u> who God is.

POSTURE.

"...they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him." (v. 11)

• We <u>HUMBLE</u> ourselves.

PRESENTATION.

"...Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." (v. 11)

• We <u>COME</u> just as we are.

PROGRESSION.

"And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route." (v. 12)

• We leave <u>DIFFERENT</u> from who we were.