

Trinity United Presbyterian Church, Santa Ana
The Carols of Christmas #6
“Navigating by the Heavenly Host”
Matthew 2:1-12
December 31, 2017

- 1) As we are guided by God we will see more of our amazing God.
Text – Matt. 2:1-2 and Colossians 1: 9-12

As with Gladness Men of Old - stanza #1
As with gladness men of Old did the guiding star behold
As with joy they hailed its light leading on-ward, beaming bright
So, true Morning Star may we ever more your splendor see

- 2) Humility allows deeper access to God as we understand His Love and Mercy.
Text – Matthew 2:2, 11 and Ephesians 2:4-9

As with Gladness Men of Old - stanza #2
As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed
There to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore
So may we with willing feet ever seek your mercy seat

- 3) Returning God’s treasures for God’s use transforms us into joyful stewards.
Text – Matthew 2:11 and Romans 6:8-13

As with Gladness Men of Old - stanza #3
As they offered gifts most rare at the manger rude and bare
So may we with holy joy pure and free from sin’s alloy
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ to you from whom they spring

- 4) Let us allow God to shape our lives into people who know the price of salvation.
Text – Matthew 2:2 and Romans 12:1-2, 5:6-11

As with Gladness Men of Old - stanza #4
Holy spirit every day keep us in the narrow way
And when earthly things are past bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide where no clouds your glory hide

- 5) Application: Let us live as God ransomed people who humbly give ourselves away for the glory of God.

Charge: Let us be disciples who are humbled and transformed by Christ for his glory