

The Christmas Quest



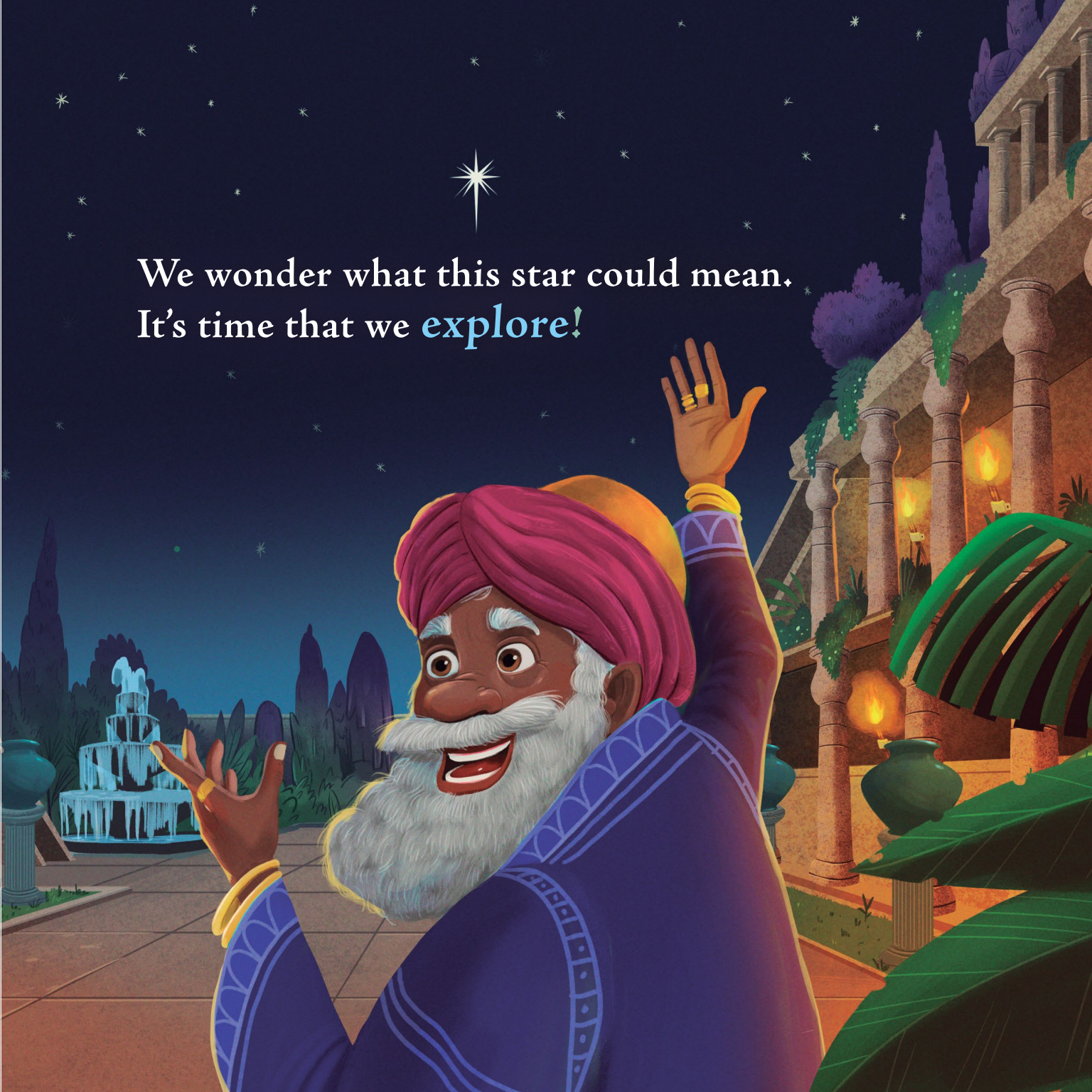
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Hello? What's this? A brand-new star
we've never seen before!



We wonder what this star could mean.
It's time that we *explore*!



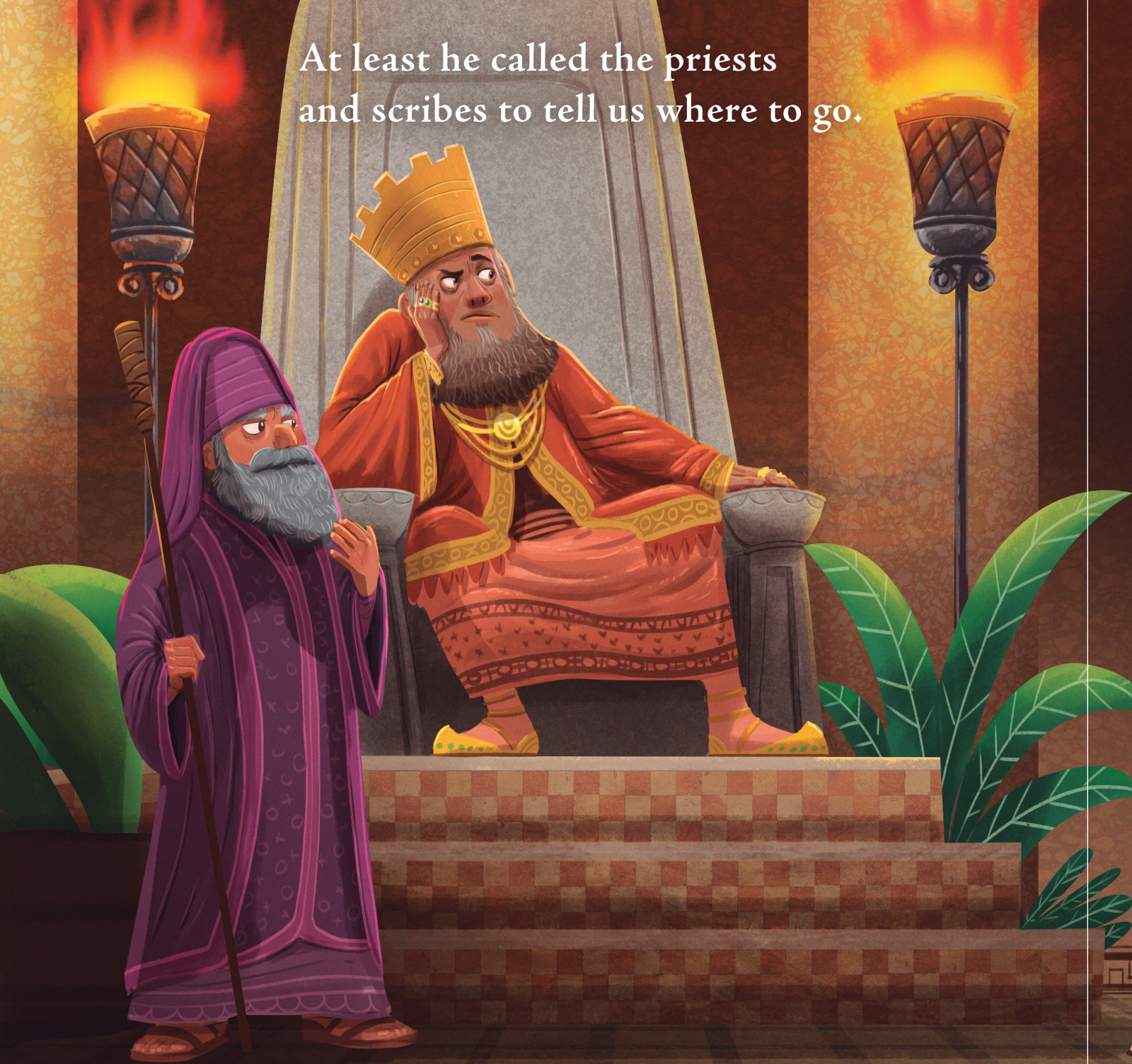
A scene in a stone room. On the left, a candelabra with three lit candles stands on a wooden surface. In the foreground, several rolled-up scrolls and maps are scattered. In the background, there is a stone archway leading to a darker area. The text is positioned in the upper left quadrant of the image.

Unwrap the **maps!**
Unroll the **scrolls!**
Let's search for cues
and clues.

A scene featuring three wise men. The man in the center, wearing a blue robe and a red turban, is holding a scroll with Hebrew text. He is smiling and looking at the scroll. To his left, another man in a red robe and red turban is also smiling. To his right, a third man in a green robe and blue turban is pointing at the scroll. A large, lit candle is in the foreground on the right. The background shows a stone wall and a doorway.


Look here—the star's announcing,
“There's a new King of the Jews!”

At least he called the priests
and scribes to tell us where to go.




And if we find the **King**, he hopes
that we will let him know.



An illustration of three wise men and a camel. The wise men are dressed in traditional Middle Eastern attire, including turbans and robes. They are looking at a map held by the man in the foreground. The camel is also looking at the map. The background is a dark night sky with many small stars.

So off to tiny Bethlehem—
a mini journey more!

An illustration of a camel looking up at a bright star in the night sky. The camel is smiling and has its mouth open. In the background, there is a small town with palm trees and a bright light on the horizon. The sky is dark with many small stars.

And look! Above that house right there—
the **star** we saw before!

We bow and gladly give our gifts.
Our hearts could burst with cheer!



Though we were very far away,
Christ Jesus drew us near.



*“Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star
at its rising and have come to worship him.” —MATTHEW 2:2*

No obstacle could keep them
from their most important quest!

Join the wise men
as they embark on the greatest treasure
hunt in history: the search for the new
King, Jesus! *The Christmas Quest* tells of
scholars who traveled from afar, facing
many dangers and difficulties along the
way, to find and worship Jesus. This
rhyming, rollicking story reminds young
readers that Jesus is the King of kings
who draws all people to Himself, both
at Christmastime and all year long!



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