TEXT: Numbers 24:17 TITLE: "Follow the Christmas Star!" * Stars in Scripture lead us to Christ!	C. Wise Men Had Seen the Star of the King → Mathew 2:2b
1. The Star F → Numbers 24:15-19	D. The Star guided the Wise Men to the Young Jesus- → Matthew 2:9
A. Balaam was blessed with Prophetic Insight → Numbers 24:15-16	3. The Star R → 2 Peter 1:19
B. The Prophetic Insight was Messianic in Character	A. Peter Was an Eyewitness of Jesus' First Coming → 2 Peter 1:16
1. He saw the Messiah in the Future—24:17a	
2. He saw the Messiah in distant Space—24:17b	B. Peter Was an Eyewitness of Jesus' Transfiguration → 2 Peter 1:17-18
3. He said a Star would come out of Jacob—24:17c	
→ NOTE: Star becomes a symbol of the Messiah to come!	C. The Written Word Stands More Sure than Eyewitness Experience → 2 Peter 1:19a
4. He said a Scepter would arise in Israel—24:17d	
→ Psalm 2:9→ Genesis 49:10	
5. The Star/Scepter would Conquer Enemies—24:17e-f, 18-19	D. Believers Do Well to Heed that Word → 2 Peter 1:19b → NOTE: Romans 13:12-13
2. The Star G	
→ Matthew 2:2	
	E. Believers Await the Rising of the Morning Star who is Jesus!
A. Wise Men from the East Came to Jerusalem → Matthew 2:1	→ 2 Peter 1:19c
B. Wise Men Inquired of the Birth of the King → Matthew 2:2a	APPLICATIONS: