

A background image of a stained glass window featuring a central figure of Jesus with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a blue robe over a red garment. He has his arms outstretched. The window is composed of many yellow and gold panes. The entire image is framed by a black decorative border with ornate scrollwork at the corners.

Days of Christmas

**NAMES &
MEANINGS
OF
JESUS**

with the Neil Family



I am the Bread of Life

John 6:35, 41

בֵּית לֶחֶם

Bethlehem

Hebrew word meaning
‘House of Bread’

Prophecy:

Our Savior will be born in little Bethlehem city
~ Micah 5:2

Fulfillment:

*“unto the city of David, which is called
Bethlehem” ~ Luke 2:4*

Modern-day Parallel:

How has Jesus provided nourishment
in your life?

I am the Light of the World

John 8:12

כּוֹכָב
Star

symbol for guidance & direction

Prophecy:

“There shall come a star out of Jacob, and a
Scepter shall rise out of Israel”

~ Numbers 24:17

Fulfillment:

“...for we have seen his star in the east”

~ Matthew 2:2

Modern-day Parallel:

How does Jesus Light Up Your Life?



The Good Shepherd

John 10:11, 14

רֹעֶה

Shepherd

symbol for leader or authority

Prophecy:

“The Lord is my Shepherd” ~ Psalms 23:1;

“...like a shepherd” ~ Isaiah 40:11

Fulfillment:

“...shepherds abiding in the field”

~ Luke 2:8

Modern-day Parallel:

How has Jesus Christ been a
Shepherd in your life?

Living Water

John 4:10

מַיִם

Water

only pure, direct source water from springs
could be used in the temples

Prophecy:

“they have forsaken me the fountain of living
waters”

~ Jeremiah 2:13 and 17:13

Fulfillment:

“...and laid him in a [stone] manger”
[possibly used for water] ~ Luke 2:7

Modern-day Parallel:

When have you thirsted and how has
Christ quenched your thirst?

Protector & Giver of Life

John 17:12; Psalms 18:2

עָנָן

Cloud

symbol for the presence of God

Prophecy:

“...clouds are swaddling
bands of the earth”
~ Job 38:8-9

Fulfillment:

“...and wrapped him in
swaddling clothes”
~ Luke 2:7

Modern-day Parallel:

When have you felt protected and
wrapped in His arms?



Stone of Help

1 Samuel 7:12

אֶבֶן

Stone

symbol for strength, reliability, stability

Prophecy:

From there is the Shepherd,
the Stone of Israel. ~ Genesis 49:24

Fulfillment:

“...and laid him in a [stone] manger”
~ Luke 2:7

Modern-day Parallel:

Who in your life has been your rock?

The Lamb of God

John 1:29, 36

טֶלֶה

Lamb

*Representing innocence, meekness, and
vulnerability — yet he overcame all*

Prophecy:

“brought as a lamb” ~ Isaiah 53:7

“taketh away the sin of the world”

~ John 1:29

Fulfillment:

“Keeping watch over their flock
by night” ~ Luke 2:8

Modern-day Parallel:

In what ways have you been vulnerable and
came out stronger?



Messenger of the Covenant

Malachi 3:1; Topical Guide

מַלְאָךְ

Angel

Hebrew meaning
Messenger from God

Prophecy:

“Behold, I will send my messenger, whom ye seek, even the messenger of the covenant, ... behold, he shall come.” ~ Malachi 3:1

Fulfillment:

“And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them” ~ Luke 2:9

Modern-day Parallel:

When have you been God’s Messenger?



The Faithful Witness

Revelations 1:5; 3:14

עֵד

Witness

knows God and provides
a path to Him

Prophecy:

“Ye *are* my witness, saith the Lord, and my servant [Christ] whom I have chosen”

~ Isaiah 43:10

Fulfillment:

“..there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly hosts” ~ Luke 2:13

Modern-day Parallel:

When have you witnessed
Christ’s love for you?

King of Kings

Revelations 17:14

מִזְבֵּהב

Gold

symbol of everlasting
regality & kingship

Prophecy:

“all they from Sheba shall come: they shall
bring gold and incense”

~ Isaiah 60:8

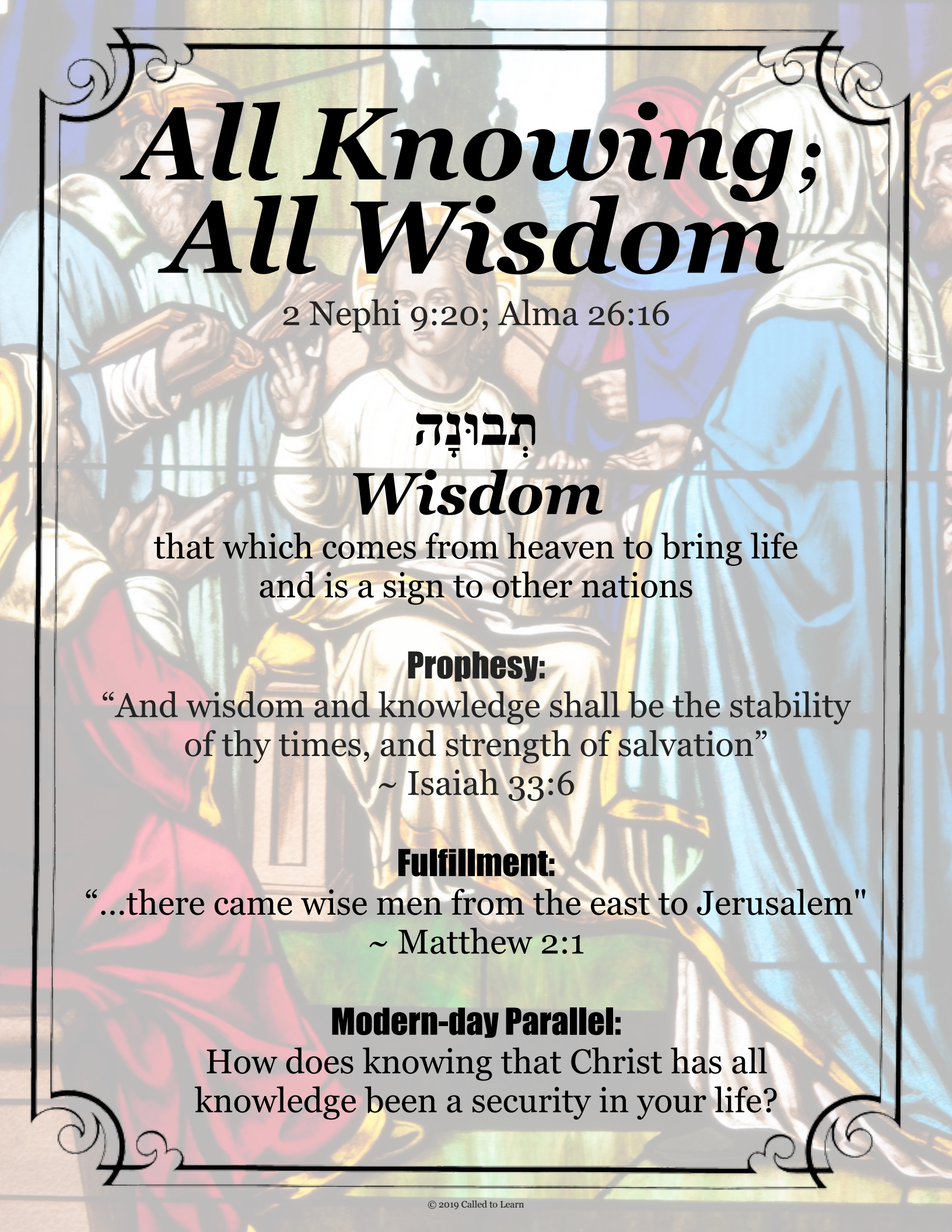
Fulfillment:

“...when they had opened their treasures, they
presented unto him gifts: gold...”

~ Matthew 2:11

Modern-day Parallel:

How does knowing Christ as an everlasting,
merciful King bring you joy in the future?



All Knowing; All Wisdom

2 Nephi 9:20; Alma 26:16

תְּבוּנָה

Wisdom

that which comes from heaven to bring life
and is a sign to other nations

Prophecy:

“And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability
of thy times, and strength of salvation”

~ Isaiah 33:6

Fulfillment:

“...there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem”

~ Matthew 2:1

Modern-day Parallel:

How does knowing that Christ has all
knowledge been a security in your life?

Advocate with the Father

1 John 2:1

לְבוֹנָה

Frankincense

used by the Priest in the temple at the
prayer altar

Prophecy:

“...they shall bring gold and incense”
~ Isaiah 60:8

Fulfillment:

“...they presented unto him gifts: gold, and
frankincense, and myrrh”
~ Matthew 2:11

Modern-day Parallel:

What scripture stories depicts Christ as an
advocate with Father?

Anointed & Overcomer of Death

Christ means “anointed” John 16:33

מִיָּרָה

Myrrh

used by the Priest in the temple for
anointing and for burial

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Modern-day Parallel:

Because Christ overcame death, how are
we preparing for his Second Coming?



The Greatest Gift

John 16:33

אַשְׁכּוּרָה *Gift*

God willingly gave his Son; His Son willingly gave his life so we can have Eternal Life.

Prophecy:

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.” ~ John 3:16

Fulfillment:

“For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” ~ Romans 6:23

Modern-day Parallel:

How is Jesus the Christ the “greatest gift” of the Father?

At a Glance

Name of Christ	Symbol	Meaning	Event	Prophecy
The Bread of Life (John 6:35,41) The Living Bread (John 6:51)	Bethlehem	House of Bread	"...unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem" Luke 2:4	Micah 5:2 Christ would be born in Bethlehem
Protector, giver of Eternal Life	Cloud	The presence of God	"...and wrapped him in swaddling clothes" Luke 2:7	Job 38:8-9 clouds are swaddling bands of the earth
Stone of Help	Stone Manger	Strength, reliability, stability	"...and laid him in a [stone] manger" ~ Luke 2:7	From there is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel. ~ Genesis 49:24
Passover Lamb	Altar Manger	Jesus began and ended his life on a stone slab	"This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." ~ Luke 2:12	Offerings, manna, Passover Lamb and sacrament are all eaten
Living Water	Water	only pure, direct source water from springs could be used in the temples	"...and laid him in a [stone] manger" [possibly used for water] ~ Luke 2:7	"they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters" ~ Jeremiah 2:13 and 17:13
The Good Shepherd (John 10:11,14)	Shepherd	Leader & Authority	"...shepherds abiding in the field" Luke 2:8	"The Lord is my Shepherd" Ps. 23:1 "...like a shepherd" Isa. 40:11
The Lamb of God (John 1:29,36)	Lamb	Representing innocence, meekness, and vulnerability — yet he overcame all	"Keeping watch over their flock by night" Luke 2:8	"brought as a lamb" Isa. 53:7 "taketh away the sin of the world" John 1:29
The Messenger of the Covenant (Mal. 3:1) The Prophet (John 7:40)	Angel	"Messenger from God"	"And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them" Luke 2:9	"Behold, I will send my messenger, whom ye seek, even the messenger of the covenant, ... behold, he shall come." ~ Malachi 3:1
The Faithful Witness, (Rev. 1:5; 3:14)	Witness	Knows God and provides a path to Him	"...there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly host" Luke 2:13	"ye are my witness, saith the Lord, and my servant [christ] whom I have chosen" Isa. 43:10
The Light of the World (John 8:12) The bright and morning star (Rev. 22:16)	Star	Guidance & Direction	"...for we have seen his star in the east" Matt 2:2	"there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel" Numbers 24:17
All knowing (2Nephi 9:20); has all wisdom (Alma 26:35)	Wisdom	Knowledge that comes from heaven to bring life and is a sign to other nations	"...there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem" Matt 2:1	"And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation" ~ Isaiah 33:6 the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24)
King of Kings (Rev. 17:14)	Gold	symbol of everlasting regality & kingship	"...when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." Matt 2:11	bring gold (Isaiah 60:8)
Advocate with the Father (1 John 2:1)	Frank-incense	Used by the rest in the temple at the prayer altar	"...when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." Matt 2:11	bring gold and incense (Isaiah 60:8)
The Anointed & Overcomer of Death	Myrrh	Used by the priest in the temple for anointing and for burial	"...when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." Matt 2:11	bring gold and incense (Isaiah 60:8)
The Greatest Gift (John 16:33) The way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6)	Gift	God willingly gave his Son; His Son willingly gave his life so we can have Eternal Life	"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not parish but have everlasting life." ~ John 3:16	"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." ~ Romans 6:23... you shall have eternal life, which gift is the greatest of all the gifts of God. (D&C 14:7)
Meek and Lowly (Matt. 21:5)	Two Turtle Doves	Poor	Mary and Joseph offered two turtle doves as a sacrifice at the temple (Luke 2:24)	a pair of doves were allowed as substitute in some of the offerings for a lamb in the case of poor persons (Lev. 1:14)

Passover Lamb

1 Corinthians 5:7

מִזְבֵּחַ

Altar

Jesus began and ended his life
on a stone slab

Advent:

"This will be a sign for you: you will find a
baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a
manger."

~ Luke 2:12

Prophecy:

"I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of
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~ Jonah 2:9

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