

## **Making Christmas Star Cookies**

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy (Matthew 2:10).

The star which went before the wise men symbolized knowledge from heaven (De Verbo 7:5).

Here are some different ways to make Christmas star cookies.

Use your favorite sugar cookie recipe and a star cookie cutter. First mix the cookie dough, roll out the dough, and cut into stars. Then choose one or more ways to decorate the star cookies.

- 1. Sprinkle with sugar before baking so the cookies sparkle.
- 2. Write short quotes from the Word on little pieces of paper (with a permanent pen). Insert into the cookies before baking.
- 3. Put a hard candy on top of each star—it will melt while the cookies are baking.
- 4. Paint the cookies with "paint" made of egg yolk and food-coloring.
- 5. Use icing to decorate the cookies after baking and cooling them.

## Decorating with Egg Yolk Paint

Mix: 1 egg volk

1/4 -1/2 teaspoon of water

food coloring (add several drops of coloring to get the desired color)

Paint unbaked cookies with the egg yolk paint, using small paint brushes or toothpicks.

Tip: You can use an empty Styrofoam egg carton to put different colors of paint.

Caution: Be sure to paint the cookies before baking them and wash hands carefully after using the paint since raw egg yolks can cause illness.