

## THE GUIDING STAR

*The star which they had seen in the East went before them,  
till it came and stood over where the young Child was (Matthew 2:9).*

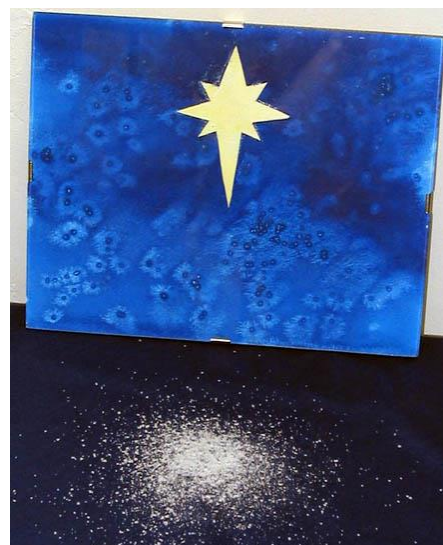
*The star which went before the wise men symbolized knowledge from heaven (De Verbo 7:5).*

Sprinkle salt crystals on wet paint to make a starry sky around the beautiful star!

*Star Painting in Glass Frame*



*Star Painting with Salt Crystals in Front*



### ***Materials needed:***

2 rectangles of absorbent paper, 1 larger than the other (watercolor paper works well)  
blue water-based paint  
yellow water-based paint  
salt (large crystals)  
glue  
scissors  
simple frame for mounting

### ***Procedure:***

1. Cover one side of the smaller rectangular piece of paper with a yellow paint wash. Allow the paint to dry completely.
2. When dry, turn the paper over and trace or draw a special star. Cut out.
3. Cover the larger rectangle of paper with a blue water-based paint wash. While the paint is still wet, sprinkle with large salt crystals. The paint will draw back from the salty areas, creating a star-studded sky background.
4. Once the sky background is dry, glue the star on to the night sky.
5. This painting can be inserted into a simple glass frame for display. (Trim the edges as needed.)