

Matthew 2:1-2 (NLT)

Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, ² Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him.

Matthew 2:3-4 (NLT)

King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem. ⁴ He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, “Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?”

Matthew 2:5-6 (NLT)

In Bethlehem in Judea,” they said, “for this is what the prophet wrote: ⁶ ‘And you, O Bethlehem in the land of Judah, are not least among the ruling cities of Judah, for a ruler will come from you who will be the shepherd for my people Israel.’”

BORN King of the Jews?

Matthew 2:1-18



Things we are NOT Told...

- how **MANY** there were
- **WHERE** they came from
- **HOW** they got to Jerusalem
- their **NAMES**

Knowledge of Scripture

does **NOT** guarantee that
your heart is

RIGHT with God.

John 1:10-11 (CSB)

HE was in the world, and the world was
created through Him, and yet
the world did not recognize Him.

¹¹ He came to **HIS OWN**, and **His own**
people did **NOT receive Him.**

→ It is not **WHAT** you Know

→ It is **WHO** you Know

Isaiah 60:6 (NLT)

Vast caravans of camels will converge
on you, the camels of Midian and Ephah.

The people of Sheba will bring

GOLD and **FRANKINCENSE** and
will come **WORSHIPING** the **LORD**.

Their giving was not so much an addition
to their worship **as an element of it.**

The **gifts** were an **Expression**
of Worship, given out of the
Overflow of Adoring and
grateful hearts. MacArthur

The Gifts of the Magi...

- **Gold-** for His **Royalty**
- **Frankincense-** for His **Deity**
- **Myrrh-** for His **Humanity**



² ...We saw **HIS STAR** in the east
and have come to **WORSHIP HIM.**

How did God REVEAL Himself to the Wise-Men?

- **General** revelation Nature
- **Special** revelation God's Word or a Vision

Their **WORSHIP** Included...

- making the **EFFORT**
- Refusal to **GIVE UP**
- deep **HUMILITY**
- being **GENEROUS**

Honoring Christ for who He is
and being willing to give Him **what is**
valuable to you.

Worship God because **He** is the
perfect, just, and Almighty Creator of
the universe, **worthy of the best you**
have to give. LAB

PROOF that Jesus IS the King of the JEWS

- **Wise Men SOUGHT** and Found Him
- **Herod HATED** Him and tried to Kill Him
- **Prophecies were FULFILLED** by Him

The Wise Men Responded by BOWING in...

- **Surrender** - submission to the God who brought them there
- **Acceptance** - believing this was the King of the Jews
- **Worship** - humbly adoring and praising the King