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)

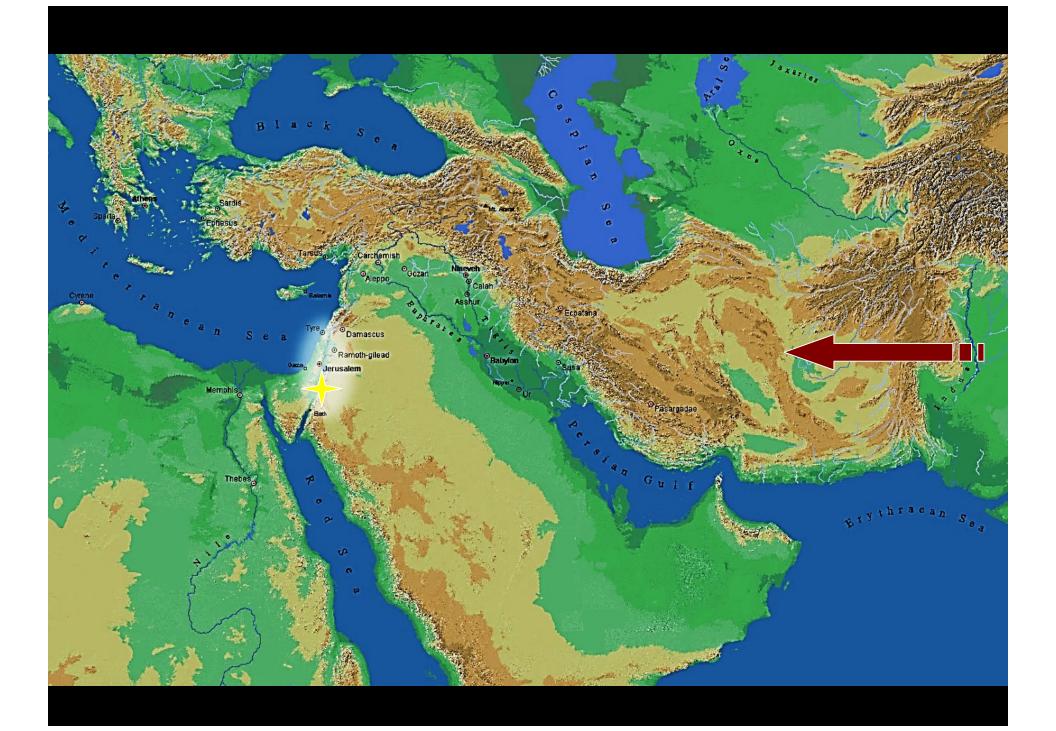
King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem. ⁴ He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, "Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?"

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

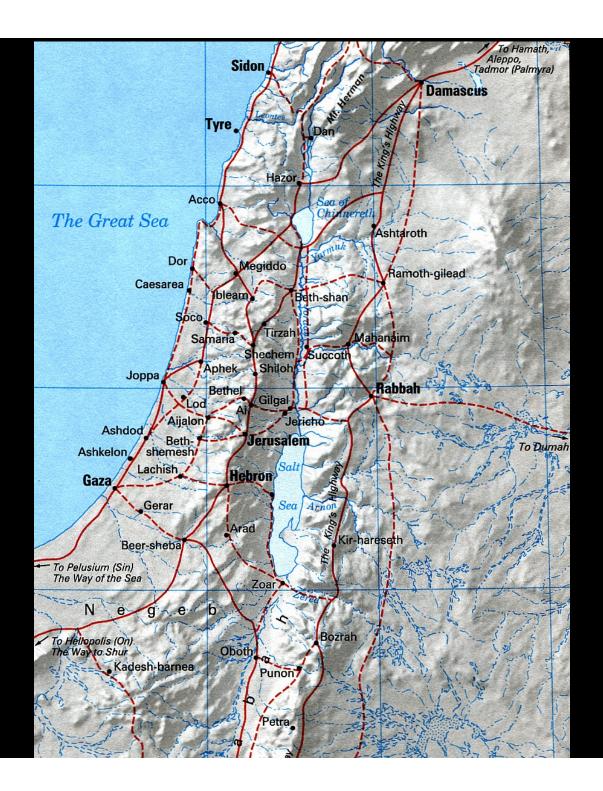
Knowledge of Scripture does NOT guarantee that your heart is RIGHT with God. John 1:10-11 (CSB) HE was in the world, and the world was created through Him, and yet the world did not recognize Him. ¹¹ He came to **HIS OWN**, and **His own** people did **NOT receive Him**. It is not WHAT you Know
It is 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

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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