

Worship the King
Matthew 2:1-12
Key Verse: 2:2

1. Read verses 1-2. Who were the Magi? Why did they come? How is the time of their coming indicated? What is significant about "his star?" (Mt 4:16;Nu 24:17)
2. What does it mean that they came to worship? (Mt 22:37; Isa 9:6,7) In what sense are they model truth seekers? (Dt 4:29; Jn 18:36,37; Jn 8:31-32)
3. Read verses 3-4. What effect did their inquiries have on King Herod and the people of Jerusalem? Why? What did King Herod do? How did Herod use the Bible? (5,6; Micah 5:2,4)
4. Read verses 7-8. How did he try to use the Magi? How did God protect the baby Jesus? (12, 13-15) What was Herod's attitude toward truth?
5. Read verses 5-6. What does this prophecy teach us about God? about Jesus? What does it mean that he is a shepherd king? That he should be born in Bethlehem? How is King Jesus different from King Herod? (16)
6. Read verses 9-10. How did the Magi find Jesus? Why were they so joyful to see the star and find Jesus? How is Jesus himself like a star? (Rev 22:16b)
7. Read verses 11-12. What did the Magi do when they found Jesus? Why must people seek and find the one worthy of worship? What can we learn from them?