

The Wisdom of Christmas

Matthew 2:1-12



THE STAR THAT GUIDED THE WISE MEN

There is a possibility that it
was the Shekinah Glory of God.

Luke 2:9

And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them,
and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they
were terribly frightened.

What About Those Wise Men

The wise men faced several difficulties

Distance

Discomfort

Danger

Jeremiah 29:13

You will seek Me and find Me when you search for
Me with all your heart.

I. HOW THE WISE MEN SOUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:1)

The ministry of the Spirit

Romans 3:11

There is none who understands,
There is none who seeks for God;

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1 John 4:19

We love, because He first loved us.

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2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

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The message of the Scripture

Matthew 2:2-6

2 “Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him.”

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3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 Gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

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5 They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for this is what has been written by the prophet:

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AND YOU, BETHLEHEM, LAND OF JUDAH,
ARE BY NO MEANS LEAST AMONG THE LEADERS OF
JUDAH;
FOR OUT OF YOU SHALL COME FORTH A RULER
WHO WILL SHEPHERD MY PEOPLE ISRAEL.””

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(Matthew 2:1)

The miracle of the star

Matthew 2:10

When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly
with great joy.

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

After coming into the house they saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they [a]fell to the ground and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they presented to Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Gold speaks of His sovereign dominion.

Matthew 2:2

“Where is He who has been born King of the Jews?
For we saw His star in the east and have come to
worship Him.”

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Matthew 2:6

‘And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,

Are by no means least among the leaders of Judah;

For out of you shall come forth a Ruler

Who will shepherd My people Israel.’”

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS
(Matthew 2:11)

Daniel 9:25

v.25 Messiah the Prince

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Isaiah 9:7

**There will be no end to the increase of His
government or of peace,**

On the throne of David and over his kingdom,

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Isaiah 9:7

**To establish it and to uphold it with justice and
righteousness**

From then on and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Luke 1:33

**and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever,
and His kingdom will have no end.”**

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Matthew 22:21

They said to Him, “Caesar’s.” Then He said to them, “Then render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s; and to God the things that are God’s.”

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Frankincense speaks of His sinless Deity

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WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

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I Timothy 3:16

**And without controversy great is the mystery of
godliness: God was manifest in the flesh,**

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Isaiah 9:6

**For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to
us;**

And the government will rest on His shoulders;

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Isaiah 9:6

**And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God,
Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.**

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Myrrh speaks of his sacrificial death

Mark 15:23

They tried to give Him wine mixed with myrrh; but
He did not take it.

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

John 10:18

No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father.”

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Romans 6:23

**For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of
God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

WHAT THE WISE MEN BROUGHT JESUS

(Matthew 2:11)

Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof

Celebrate Christmas with Wisdom

Seek Him the way these Wise Men sought Him

Bring Him what they brought Him

1 John 5:3

**For this is the love of God, that we keep His
commandments; and His commandments are not
burdensome.**

**I AM CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS
THIS YEAR
WITH WISDOM**