

## Christmas Contributions

Week 3 12-16-18

The Magi

"After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem <sup>2</sup> and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him."<sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup> "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: <sup>6</sup> " 'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel.'" <sup>7</sup> Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."<sup>9</sup> After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. <sup>11</sup> On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh."

Matthew 2:1-11 (NIV)

1. Who Were the M\_\_\_\_\_.

2. What they Contributed: W\_\_\_\_\_.

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"On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and **worshiped** him."

\* **NOTE: Their's was a worship of o\_\_\_\_\_ ,  
we worship from i\_\_\_\_\_ !**

3. De\_\_\_\_\_ of Worship.

\* **Worship is Based on V\_\_\_\_\_ .**

\* **Worship is Always A\_\_\_\_\_ !**

A. \_\_\_\_\_ tion (v. 2a)

B. \_\_\_\_\_ tion. (v. 2b)

C. \_\_\_\_\_ tion.

### Altering life around the Value

\* **Journey of Worship**

\* **Posture of worship**

\* **Gifts of worship**

4. O\_\_\_\_\_ worship.

"But the time is coming—indeed it's here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. <sup>24</sup> For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth."

John 4:23-24 (NLT)

"Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Philippians 2:9-11 (NLT)

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. <sup>2</sup> We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. <sup>3</sup> Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up."

Hebrews 12:1-3 (NLT)