

Seek Jesus the King
Jesus the King – Part 3
Life Church St. Louis – December 31, 2017
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Luke 19:10 (ESV) For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Acts 17:26-27 (ESV) And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us,

Jeremiah 29:13 (ESV) You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Matthew 6:33 (ESV) But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

1. Take _____ to seek the King

Matthew 2:1 (ESV) Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem,

A. Seek to _____ the King

Matthew 2:2a (ESV) saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? ...”

B. Seek to _____ the King

Matthew 2:2b (ESV) “... For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”

2. Don't be _____ by the King

Matthew 2:3-4 (ESV) When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

A. The King will _____ His people

Matthew 2:5-6 (ESV) They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: “And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.”

B. No one can _____ His rule

Matthew 2:7-8 (ESV) Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.”

3. God will _____ your seeking

Matthew 2:9-10 (ESV) After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.

A. _____ the King continually

Matthew 2:11a (ESV) And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. ...

B. Give the King your _____

Matthew 2:11b (ESV) ... Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading, prayer & writing.
 - Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

- How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. How is the purpose of a believer the same as Jesus' purpose (Luke 19:10)?

What was God's purpose in creating people (Acts 17:26-27)?

What does it mean to seek God (Jeremiah 29:13)?

How can a believer continue to seek God (Matthew 6:33)?

1A. What do you think motivated the wise men to travel almost a thousand miles from Persia to Jerusalem (Matthew 2:1)?

1B. Who was Jesus destined to be king of (Matthew 2:2a, Daniel 7:13-14)?

1C. What is the prophetic implication of the wise men coming to worship Jesus (Matthew 2:2b, Isaiah 60:5-6)?

1D. How could you take time to seek Jesus in a new way in 2018?

2A. Why was Herod and the Jewish leaders troubled at the news of Jesus' birth (Matthew 2:3-4)?

2B. What is the significance of Bethlehem as Jesus' birthplace (Matthew 2:5-6, Micah 5:2, 1 Samuel 17:12)?

2C. Why did Herod want to know when the star appeared (Matthew 2:7-8, 2:16)?

2D. Why are people troubled by Jesus today?

3A. What evidence from the Scripture is there that the star was of supernatural origin, rather than an astronomical entity (Matthew 2:9-10)?

3B. What does the worship of Jesus by the Magi imply about Jesus (Matthew 2:11a, Revelation 22:9-10)?

3C. What was the significance of the treasures the wise men gave Jesus (Matthew 2:22b, Haggai 2:7-8, Matthew 2:13)?

3D. What treasures has God given you that you can give back to Him?

3E. How does God supernaturally guide us today?