

FINDING JESUS

Today I want to talk to you about finding Jesus. For the wise men they followed a star...

Matthew 2:1-12 – After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem 2 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." 3 When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 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. 5 "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: 6 "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." 7 Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. 8 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." 9 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. 10 When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. 11 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. (NIV)

HE FINDS YOU

John 4:23 – Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. (NIV)

2 Chronicles 16:9... "For the eyes of the LORD move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His... (NASB)

Matthew 2:2 – 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."

God wants to be wanted by us...God wants you and I to seek Him.

Jeremiah 29:13... when you seek me with your whole heart you will find me (NIV)

HE WANTS TO BE FOUND

Matthew 2:11 - ...the star coming **right over the place where the Lord was.** ...The wise men rejoiced when they saw the young child with Mary — and they worshipped Him. (NIV)

WE WORSHIP

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