

Hidden Messiah

Part 7: The Magi

Matthew 2:1-18

Launch

Do you shop for Christmas gifts throughout the year or wait until December?

Explore

Read the passage

There are a lot of assumptions and misconceptions surrounding this story. Based on the passage alone, what are the things that were true of the Magi? What was true of Herod?

How do the Wise Men and Herod represent two different responses to Jesus?

Read the following passages: **Luke 6:46; Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20**

How do they relate to the story of the Magi?

Apply

Today's main passage is about what should be true of us if Jesus is King of our lives. How do the Magi serve as an example of the Lordship of Jesus?

In what areas of your life are you resisting submission to Jesus? Why?

Bonus: On your own this week, read this great resource from the Navigators. (Yes, it looks cheesy but is really profound.)

https://www.usna.edu/Navigators/_files/documents/MHCH.pdf

Pray

Thank Jesus that He is worthy of our devotion and obedience. Ask him to reveal the areas in your life where He needs to be on the throne.