



## **“Wise Men and Women Still Seek Him!”**

Epiphany  
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Matthew 2:1-12

We know little about the men who came to pay homage to the newborn King. The word translated “wise men” (Magi) refers to a group of scholars who studied the stars. Their titles connect them with magic, but they were probably more like astrologers. (Their presence in the Bible, however, is not an endorsement of astrology!)

God gave them a special sign, a miraculous star that announced the birth of the King. The star led them to Jerusalem where God’s prophet’s told them that the King would be born in Bethlehem. They went to Bethlehem and there they worshiped the Christ Child.

We do not know how many magi there were. From the three gifts listed in Matthew 2:11, some people have assumed there were three kings from the Orient, though this is not certain. But when their caravan arrived in Jerusalem, there were enough of them to trouble the whole city.

The important thing to keep in mind, is that these men were Gentiles. From the very beginning, Jesus came to be “the Savior of the world” (John 4:42). Even though these men were wealthy scholars, it is in Jesus Christ that “are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge” (Col. 2:3). In Him dwells “all the fullness of the Godhead bodily” (Col. 2:9). He is our King of Kings!

*What does it mean to you to know with both your head and your heart that in Christ, are the all the treasures of the world? How will it change your day today, the week ahead, and your life to come?*