

New Life

Matthew 2
Magi/Wise men searching
for the King

Vs 1-2a

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews?"

Vs 2b

“We saw His star in the east and
have come to worship Him.”

Some have endeavored to explain the star

- As Jupiter, Saturn, and Mars all in a line
- As a supernova
- As a comet
- As a meteor

They followed His star?

Why?

- Was it just a curiosity?
- Was it emptiness?
- Was there something that they could not explained, but compelled them to search

Vs 2b

“We saw His star in the east and
have come to worship Him.”

Worship - To bow down

This is an action caused by knowing
that you are in the presence of someone
greater than you

Vs 3

When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.

Vs 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.

Vs 5

"In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied,
"for this is what the prophet has
written:

Vs 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.""

Vs 7

Then Herod called the Magi secretly
and found out from them the exact time
the star had appeared.

Vs 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."

Vs 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.

The star that had made the proclamation, the star that lead them across the lands, that same star now lead them to a particular place

Was it

- Jupiter, Saturn, and Mars all in a line
- A supernova
- A comet
- A meteor

Shekinah glory of God

The released and visible life of God

Vs 10

When they saw the star, they
were overjoyed.

Vs 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.

Gold because He is King

A King that assures victory

Revelation 17:14

They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because He is Lord of lords and King of kings-- and with Him will be His called, chosen and faithful followers."

Incense because He is God

A God that gives life

John 1:1-4

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made. In Him was life, and that life was the light of men.

Myrrh because He is the Atoning Sacrifice

A Savior that paid it all

1 John 4:10

This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

It all began with a star

- It was visible but not all saw
- It was visible but not all cared
- It was visible but not all pursued

But God put it out there anyway

Because

- some saw
- some cared
- some pursued
- some found

Just give His star



His Star

Matthew 2:2

- Some will not see
- Some will not care
- Some will not pursue

But some will see, care,
and pursue

Some will find

- The King that assures victory
- The God who loves them
- The Savior who paid the price
for them