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All scriptures are printed verbatim with translations noted.

CONTEXT

- ◆ This story is in Bethlehem
- ◆ This story does not take place in a manger
- ◆ The small family is in a house
- ◆ Jesus may be up to 2 years old
- ◆ They have been living 6 miles from Jerusalem.

Notes: _____

1. THE CHARACTERS

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, saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews?”

2. THE CAUSE

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

3. THE CONCERN

Matthew 2:3 (ESV)-When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him;

4. THE COVERTNESS

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.”

5. THE CHILD

Matthew 2:9-11 (ESV)-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. And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

When Jesus is revealed as king...

A. Option 1: Respond

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

B. Option 2: Rebel

Matthew 2:16 (ESV)-Then Herod...became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in that region...

Here Is The Point: Christmas reminds us that Jesus is King...