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1 Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, 2 “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him.” (Matt 2:1-2 NLT)





3 King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem. 4 He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, “Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?”



5 “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they said, “for this is what the prophet wrote: 6 ‘And you, O Bethlehem in the land of Judah, are not least among the ruling cities of Judah, for a ruler will come from you who will be the shepherd for my people Israel.’”

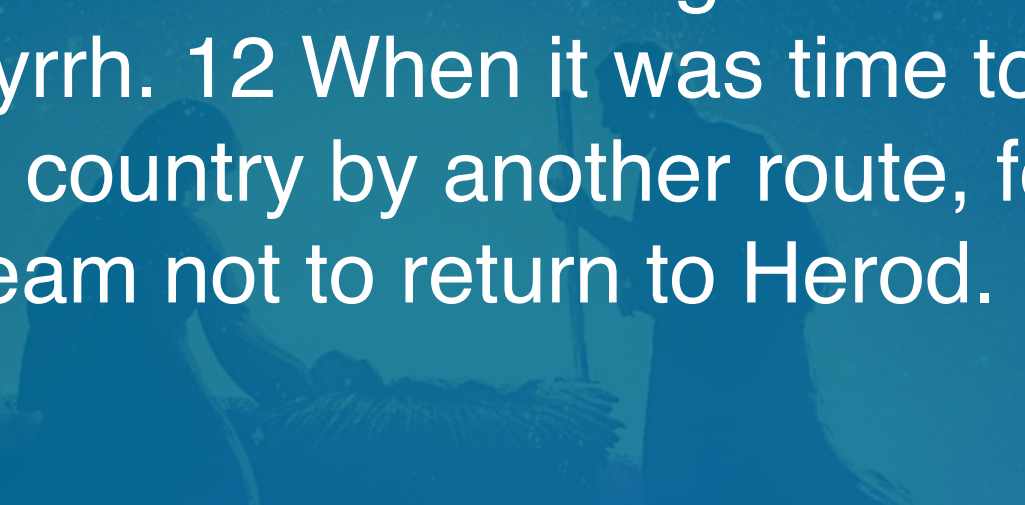


7 Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared. 8 Then he told them, “Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!”

(Matt 2:3-8 NLT)

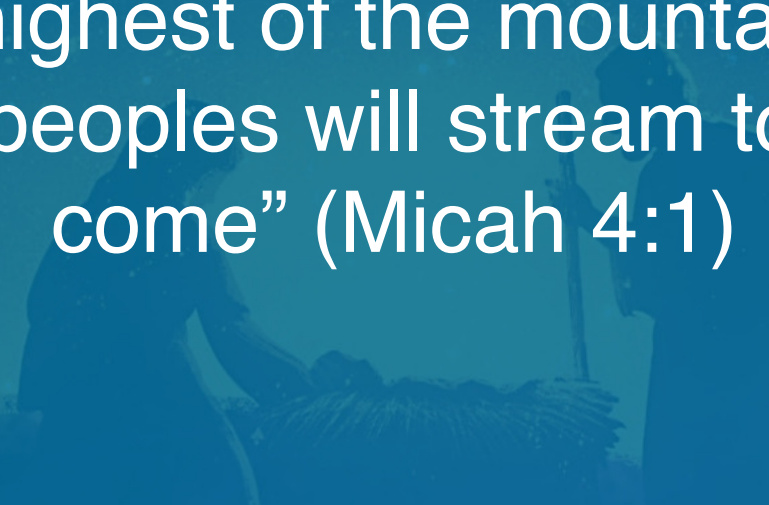


9 After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! 11 They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. 12 When it was time to leave, they returned to their own country by another route, for God had warned them in a dream not to return to Herod. (Matt 2:9–12 NLT)

A faint, stylized silhouette of the Three Wise Men is visible in the background. One figure is kneeling in a gesture of worship, while the other two stand behind him, one holding a long staff. The scene is set against a dark, textured background that suggests a night sky or a cave interior.

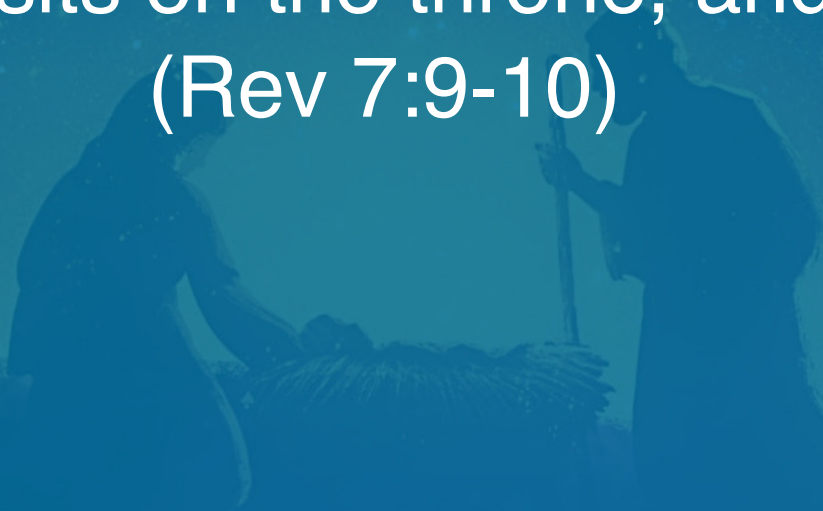
“I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing...in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” (Gen 12:2-3)

"In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and peoples will stream to it. Many nations will come" (Micah 4:1)

A faint, artistic illustration in the background shows the silhouettes of several people in a landscape. One person appears to be holding a staff or a long object, and another is standing nearby. The scene is set against a light, hazy background, possibly representing a mountain or a distant horizon.

“Go...and make disciples of all nations” (Matt 28:16-20)

“from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages... crying out with a loud voice, ‘Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’”
(Rev 7:9-10)



Where They Are
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