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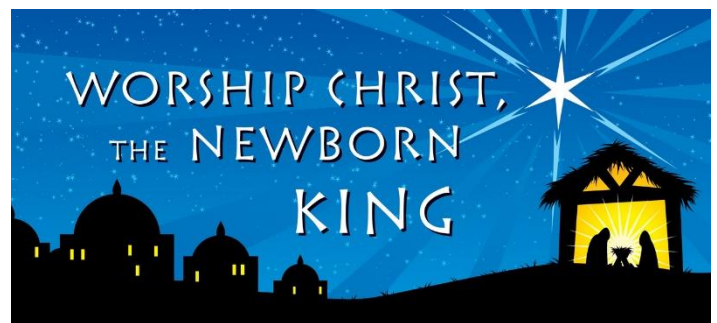
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## Today's Message from Dr. Jason Lee

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# O Come All Ye Faithful\* #145

*"...Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened..." Lk 2:15*

John Francis Wade

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels!

O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation!  
O sing, all ye bright hosts of heav'n above!  
"Glory to God, all glory in the highest!"

O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!



Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n!  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!

O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

# Angels We Have Heard on High\* #132

*“Suddenly, a great company of the heavenly host appeared  
with the angel praising God...” Lk 2:13*

Traditional French Carol

Angels we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing o’er the plains  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains

Gloria, in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
Say what may the tidings be  
Which inspire your heav’nly song?

Gloria, in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King

Gloria, in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo!

See within a manger laid  
Jesus, Lord of heav’n and earth!  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
With us sing our Savior’s birth

Gloria, in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo!



## Away in a Manger\* #128

*"And she gave birth to her firstborn, a son.  
She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger..." Lk 2:7*

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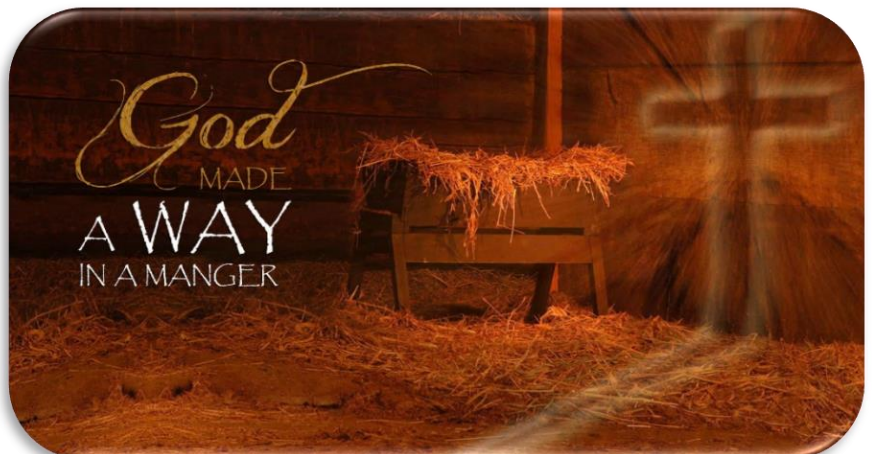
Away in a manger, no crib for a bed  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head  
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes  
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle til morning is nigh

----- 31 sec musical interlude-----

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care  
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there

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## What Child is This?\* #137

*“When they had seen Him, they spread the word concerning  
what had been told them about this Child” Lk 2:17*

William Dix

What Child is this, who laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ, the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud  
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

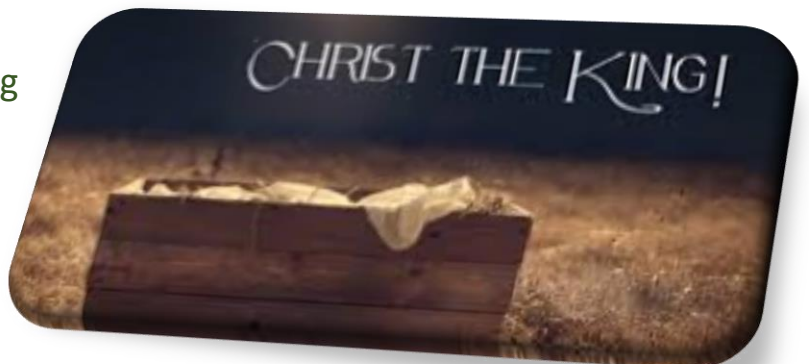
Why lies He in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear, for sinners here, the silent Word is pleading

This, this is Christ, the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud  
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peasant, king to own Him  
The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts en throne Him

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## Matthew 2:1-12 — English Standard Version (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> 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, <sup>2</sup> saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” <sup>3</sup> When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup> and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup> They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup> “‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler  
who will shepherd my people Israel.’”

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> 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.” <sup>9</sup> After listening to the king, they went on their way. 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. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup> 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. <sup>12</sup> And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.



## Offering: O Holy Night! \* #148

*"...So the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God" Lk 1:35*

John Dwight

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining; It is the night of the dear Savior's birth.  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining, till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.  
A thrill of hope--the weary world rejoices  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!  
Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!  
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!  
O night, O holy night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming  
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.  
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, here came the wise men from Orient land.  
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger, in all our trials born to be our Friend.  
He knows our need-- to our weakness is no stranger.  
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!  
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!

Truly he taught us to love one another; His law is love and his gospel is peace.  
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother  
And in His name all oppression shall cease.  
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we; Let all within us praise His holy name.  
Christ is the Lord! O praise his name forever!  
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!  
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# The Coming of the King: A Study in Matthew

By Dr. Jason Lee

**Text: Matthew 2:1-12**

## Theme: Worship Jesus, the King of the Jews

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# Matthew 2:1-12

## Worship Jesus, the King of the Jews



Matthew 2:1-2

[1] 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, [2] saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." (ESV)



*Worship Jesus, King of Jews: Matthew 2:1-12*



Matthew provides the story of the wise men to help answer a question raised in chapter 1. In 1:21, we read that Jesus came to save “His people” from their sins. So, that raises the question, “Who are His people?” The first two auditions belong to “Herod the king” and the “wise men from the east”.

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Matthew introduces some irony into the question about who will be Jesus’ people because the wise men say that they are looking for the one who is “born the king of the Jews.” The irony is that though he is the King of the Jews, as a whole the Jewish people will reject Him (see 27:20-23).



*Worship Jesus, King of Jews: Matthew 2:1-12*



We also notice from these verses that to recognize Jesus as King involves worship. The wise men have sought Him so that they can worship Him. In other words, to be His people you must become a worshipper. The Gospel of Matthew is going to be filled with stories of the unlikely ones coming to Jesus in faith. These people will recognize His authority and submit to Him in faith (see 8:10-13, 15:24-28).

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### Matthew 2:3-6

[3] When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; [4] and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. [5] They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

[6] "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler  
who will shepherd my people Israel.'" (ESV)



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Matthew points out that Herod does not receive the coming of Jesus as good news. All he can focus on is that Jesus' coming could result in his loss of power. "All Jerusalem" is worried that Jesus' coming could disrupt their status quo. Instead, they should have been reading the Scriptures (specifically Micah 5) and looking forward to the coming of a shepherd king (the Son of David).

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### Matthew 2:7-8

[7] Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. [8] 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." (ESV)



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Instead of receiving Jesus' birth in Bethlehem as a fulfilled promise, Herod sees it as a threat. So, he pivots from anxiety to devious deception. A heart that does not believe could be worried/ fearful about their life without God or it could be filled with animosity for the things of God that threaten their independence/ self-rule. We will see how Herod digresses from anxiety, to deception, then to murder.

[8] 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."

Matthew's Gospel is filled with stories of false worshippers and those claim to be God's people, but are not.



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### Matthew 2:9–12

[9] After listening to the king, they went on their way. 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.

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Matthew turns our attention back to the wise men who have continued their pursuit of Jesus. Notice how they have a blend of joy and worship. To be able to worship Jesus is a joyful occasion. The gifts that they bring could be symbolic but they are also straightforward indications of the connection between worship and surrendering ourselves (and possessions) to the Lord. The theme of worshipping God instead of our possessions will be occur a few times in Matthew (see 5:24; 19:23-24).

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He has come, now what?

- **God kept His promises by sending Jesus as the shepherd king. Have faith in Him.**

We need to be led and ruled by King Jesus. God has shown Himself to be faithful by sending us the King that we need. Let's believe in Him.

- **Our unbelief may look like fear, deception, or hatred for the things of God, and will always lead to a lack of worship.**

How have you been responding to God and His Word lately? Has your unbelief led to you resisting God's rule in a particular area of life? Bow in humble submission to Him.

- **To respond in faith to Jesus will result in joy-filled worship. Worship Him with your whole heart.**



*Worship Jesus, King of Jews: Matthew 2:1-12*



## The Coming of the King- Matthew 1-2





## Joy to the World\* #125

*“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah...out of you will come for Me One who will rule over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times” Mic 5:2*

Isaac Watts

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heav’n and nature sing, and heav’n and nature sing  
And heav’n, and heav’n and nature sing

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let men their songs employ  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,  
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders of His love.



