Everlasting Forgiveness ELF - Part 4 Matthew 2:1-12

"But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness." 1 John 1:9 (p.941)

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him." Matthew 2:2 (p.734)

- True Worship Acknowledges Jesus As <u>King</u>.
- 1. Seek Jesus with intention and purpose in your daily life.

"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!"

Matthew 2:8 (p.734)

- See His glory in <u>nature</u>.
- "...Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities..."
 Romans 1:20b (p.857)
 - Learn of His promises in the Bible.

"For all of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ..." 2 Corinthians 1:20 (p.882)

• Discover Jesus by getting to know Him personally.

"Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life..." 1 Peter 3:15a (p.936)

2. Approach Him with humility and a heart open to His guidance.

"They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him..." Matthew 2:11a (p.734)

"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up in honor." James 4:10 (p.932)

3. Offer your best to Him, whether through your time, talents, or resources.

"...Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11b (p.734)

"...I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him." Romans 12:1 (p.866)

My Next Step This Week: ____ I seek God's guidance to reveal the areas of my life that need to be realigned or renewed in response to His forgiveness.

Series Memory Verse: "For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6 (p.523)