LESSONS FROM THE WISEMEN MATT. 2:1-12 / 4-14-19 / P.M.

I. WHAT DOES MATTHEW SAY OR <u>NOT</u> SAY ABOUT THE WISEMEN?

	A.	Matthew doesn't tell us exactly who they were.
	В.	Matthew doesn't say exactly where they are from-"from the East".
	C.	Matthew doesn't tell us how many there were-"Magi", plural.
	D.	Matthew doesn't tell us what the <u>star</u> was.
	E.	Matthew doesn't tell us how the star <u>connected</u> to Jesus' birth.
	F.	Matthew doesn't tell us when the magi visited Jesus.
II.	LES	SSONS FROM THE WISEMEN.
	A.	We need more than general revelation.
		 General revelation is what is revealed to everyone through <u>creation</u> and conscience— Rom. 1:20 and 2:14-16.
		 Special revelation is revealed through the <u>Living</u> Word of Jesus and the written Word of God—John 1:14 & 2 Tim. 3:16.
	В.	We need to <u>act</u> on what we hear or receive from God.
	C.	Never give up—Jer. 29:13.
	D.	Following God requires <u>sacrifice</u> .

- E. There may be Christians in <u>places</u> we might not expect to find them.
- F. God deserves our <u>humility</u>—James 4:10.
- G. We should never lose our capacity to <u>rejoice</u>—Phil 4:4.
- H. We must give our <u>best</u> to God—2 Sam. 24:24.
- I. We should never lose the wonder of worship.