

- 1. Those who ____ the Lord shall find Him.
- 3. The magi brought this as a gift.
- 6. These heard about Jesus' birth first.
- 7. The magi came to _____ Jesus.
- 9. The magi also brought this as a gift.
- 11. God gave this to the magi to lead them.
- 12. They knew where the Christ was to be born.
- 17. They came from the east.

Parent's Initials:

- 18. An _____ appeared to the shepherds.
- 19. Joseph took Mary and Jesus there.
- 20. Those who seek the Lord shall ____ Him.

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- 2. The magi came from the _____
- He gave the magi a star to follow.
 The scribes said Chist would be
- The scribes said Chist would be born here.
- 5. Joseph brought Jesus back from Egypt to this city in Galilee.
- 8. The King of the Jews.
- 10. Herod was _____ when he heard that there was a new born King.
- 13. The scribes told Herod where the would be born.
- 14. God told Joseph when it was safe to return to
- 15. The King of the Jews was born as a
- 16. King of the _____.

Initial Here

The Person and Life of the Lord Jesus

- Lesson Three - *Events After the Birth* of the Lord Jesus Christ

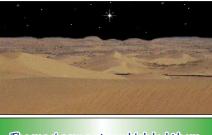
I. Overview.

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he baby Jesus was the Christ, the Son of God, even God Himself. He came to be the Savior of the world and is therefore the most important Person in the universe. God made the birth of His Son known to different kinds of people. He revealed it both to the Jewish shepherds, His called people, and to the Gentile magi who were not of His called people. It was announced to the simple and to the wise. These ones treasured Christ's birth. They sought the Lord, and as the Lord Jesus promised (Matt 7:8), they found Him.

But Satan also knew of Jesus' birth. The Devil was working

through the evil King Herod to attempt to destroy Jesus, even as a baby. God, however, guided Joseph, and preserved Jesus' life. God safely hid His treasure, His beloved Son, far away in Egypt, and later in the despised town of Nazareth.



The magi saw a star which led them to Jesus, the new born Savior.

II. Memory Verse.

"Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star at its rising and have come to worship Him."

III. Lesson.

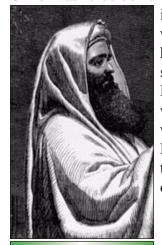
The Bible tells us that if we seek after the Lord, we will find Him. After the Jewish shepherds were told by the angel of the Savior's birth, they responded by seeking Him out. They went into the city of Bethlehem and found the baby Jesus.

Three Seeking Magi

A group of maji coming from the east were also seeking the Lord Jesus. They were led by God by following a star. They followed the star to the land of Israel. When they arrived in Israel, they went to the capitol city, Jerusalem, thinking that the new born King might be there. They asked where they could find the child who was born the King of the Jews.

Herod - The Evil King

When Herod the king, who reigned over Judea, heard that there was another King of the Jews, he became troubled. He called together the chief priests and the scribes to ask them where the Christ was to be born. They told him that He would be born



in Bethlehem. After this, the magi then went to Bethlehem. Before they left, king Herod told them to return to Jerusalem and report to him what they see. He said that he also wanted to go to worship the baby King. He actually wanted to find out where Jesus was so He could kill Him. Neither Herod nor the chief priests and scribes had any desire to seek the Lord.

The Magi Present Their Gifts

The maji sought Christ
and followed a star
that led them.When the magi found the Savior Jesus,
they worshiped Him and presented

Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. They were warned by God not to return to Herod in Jerusalem, but to return to their land by another way.

God Protects the Baby Jesus

God warned Joseph that Herod was seeking to kill Jesus. God told him to take Jesus and go to Egypt until God told him it was safe to come back. Later, Herod sent soldiers to Bethlehem and killed all the young boys that were about Jesus' age, hoping to destroy Jesus. After Herod died, God told Joseph that it was safe to return to Israel. Joseph and Mary and Jesus returned to Israel and settled in the city of Nazareth, a despised city of Galilee.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

- 1. What is the Lord's promise to those who seek Him?
- 2. How did the magi know where they should go to find Jesus?
- 3. Why did the magi go to Jerusalem?
- 4. Why did Herod want to know where Jesus was?