

**GUIDED BY THE LIGHT**  
THE NIGHT THAT CHANGED EVERYTHING  
**Matthew 2:1–12**  
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**1. GOD CAN GET YOUR \_\_\_\_\_ IF YOU'RE \_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of King Herod, wise men from the east arrived in Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>saying, “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.” Matthew 2:1–2

You will seek me and find me when you search for me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29:13

He did this so that they might seek God, and perhaps they might reach out and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. Acts 17:27

First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all those who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it pleases God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 1 Timothy 2:1–4

**2. NOT EVERYONE RESPONDS TO JESUS THE \_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was deeply disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup>So he assembled all the chief priests and scribes of the people and asked them where the Messiah would be born. <sup>5</sup>“In Bethlehem of Judea,” they told him, “because this is what was written by the prophet: <sup>6</sup>**And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah: Because out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.**” Matthew 2:3–6

**This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.** Matthew 15:8

For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of me and the gospel will save it. Mark 8:35

Anyone who is not with me is against me, and anyone who does not gather with me scatters. Matthew 12:30

**3. TRUE WORSHIP ALWAYS LEADS TO \_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>9</sup>After hearing the king, they went on their way. And there it was—the star they had seen at its rising. It led them until it came and stopped above the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they were overwhelmed with joy. <sup>11</sup>Entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and falling to their knees, they worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And being warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their own country by another route. Matthew 2:9–12

Honor the LORD with your possessions and with the first produce of your entire harvest; Proverbs 3:9

And they sang a new song: You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slaughtered, and you purchased people for God by your blood from every tribe and language and people and nation. Revelation 5:9

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For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23

<sup>9</sup>If you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>One believes with the heart, resulting in righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, resulting in salvation. Romans 10:9–10