

THE ARRIVAL OF THE MAGI
(Matthew 2:1-3)

- I. The _____ of Jesus' Birth (Matt. 2:1a)
- A. Bethlehem was _____ significant
1. Where Jacob _____ (Gen. 35:19)
 2. Where _____ met _____ (Ruth 1:22-2:6)
 3. Where _____ was born and reared (1 Sam. 17:12, 15)
- B. Bethlehem was _____ significant
1. Means "the _____ of _____" (cf. John 6:35, 48-51)
 2. To be the birthplace of the _____ (Micah 5:2)
- II. The _____ of Jesus' Birth (Matt. 2:1b)
- A. He was born when _____ was _____ (cf. Luke 1:5)
- B. He was born in _____ or _____ B.C.
- III. The _____ of Jesus' Birth (Matt. 2:1c-2)

- A. _____ came from the _____
1. First appeared among the Medes during the time of _____
 2. Became prominent as “_____” in Babylon
(Dan. 6; Esther 1)
 3. Were _____ – _____ in Persia, closely associated
with the state _____
 4. Were _____ in Parthia during the Roman era
- B. They came to find the one “_____ King of the _____”
- C. They had seen “_____” in the east (cf. Nu. 24:17)
1. There is no coherent _____ explanation
 2. They saw a revelation of _____
- D. They had come to “_____” Him

IV. The _____ to Jesus’ Birth (Matt. 2:3)

- A. Herod “was _____”
- B. “_____ Jerusalem” was also “troubled”