

Matthew Chapter 2 – The birth of Jesus

- 1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod, the king, behold there came wise men from the east of Jerusalem,
- 2 Saying, Where is he that is born the King of Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.
- 3 When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.
- 4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.
- 5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea: for thus it is written by the prophet,
- 6 And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda: for out of thee shall come a governor, that shall rule my people Israel.
- 7 Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.
- 8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said Go and search diligently for the young child: and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.
- 9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star which they saw in the East, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.
- 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.
- 11 And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures; they presented unto him gifts; gold and frankincense and myrrh.
- 12 And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country in a different way.