

HOW DO WE RESPOND TO THE KING?

MATTHEW 2:1-12

September 20, 2026

How do we respond to the King?

1) The Magi recognized _____ as _____.

Magi – wise men – royal astrologers.

2) The Magi went _____ for the _____.

3) Herod was _____ by the _____.

4) The religious leaders knew the _____ - But didn't go.

5) The reaction and desire of the Magi was to _____.

- They didn't congratulate Mary and Joseph; they didn't admire the baby.
- They didn't take a selfie and go home.
- THEY BOWED DOWN.
- THEY GAVE GIFTS.

6) The King deserves more than _____.

7) Consider three responses to the king.

- Herod – "I _____ want this king."
- The Religious leaders – "I _____ about this king."
- Magi – "I want to find this king and _____."

8) The King calls _____, to be _____ of his _____!

Are we ready for the king to take over our lives?

What would that look like if Jesus was truly our king?

Study Notes for September 20, 2026 – Matthew 2:1-12

****How do we treat King Jesus?**

(Think this week about the reactions of the people in Matthew Chapter 2, to king Jesus.)

- The Magi came looking for Jesus because they believed He was King.
- Herod heard about Jesus as was threatened by Him.
- The Religious Leaders knew the Scriptures but didn't seem interested enough to go.

The question we must face from our text today is simple –

WHAT WILL WE DO WITH KING JESUS?

Why did Herod feel threatened is far less important to us than Why do we feel threatened?

- Are we threatened by Jesus because the King wants all control, power, and loyalty from his children?

The question about the religious leaders turns into Why would we ignore the king?

- Are we guilty of knowing about Jesus, but we have no desire to seek Him, seek the truth and follow His will for our lives?

WHAT DOES KING JESUS MEAN FOR MY LIFE?

If Jesus is my king, this let's ask some questions this week...

What needs to change in my life?

What do I need to surrender to the king?

What needs to be forgiven?

What needs to be started?

What needs to be stopped?

Who needs to hear about Jesus from me, and see Jesus in my life?

WONDERFUL NEWS – The Magi traveled a great distance to see and worship the king, The king has come to us.