Text: Matthew 2:1-12

Topics: Responding to Christ, God's Revelation Series: They Worshiped at the Advent of Christ Monroe Bible Church December 30, 2018 Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl

## The King is Come!

## I. Led to Jerusalem (1-8)

The people and places...

The contrasts...

Few react appropriately to God's revelation of His Savior.

## II. Led to Bethlehem (9-12)

Led to the place...

Led to respond...

What is God <u>revealing</u> to <u>me</u> concerning Jesus?

Is my response worthy of Jesus?

<u>Application Questions</u> - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.

- 1. Can you think of an example when God revealed something about Jesus to you? What did God reveal? How did He do it? How did you respond?
- 2. King Herod sought to get rid of the Child Jesus once he heard Him called the King of the Jews. Trying to silence Jesus and those who spoke about Him became common, even as the church first began. Read about it in Acts 4:1-3, 18-21; 5:17-20, 25-29, 40-42. Why could they not be silenced?

Are you "silenced" from speaking about Jesus at times? If so, when? Why?

3. Read what Jesus said about the religious leaders of His day in Matthew 23:1-7. What was Jesus saying about them? What was He saying about their knowledge of the Word of God, and their relationship with God?

Jesus said the same thing about them in Mark 7:6. Would He ever say this about you? If so, what would be the circumstances? Does this "silence" you?

4. What are people encouraged to do, and how, in Deuteronomy 4:29; 2 Chronicles 15:2, 4, 15; and Jeremiah 29:13-14?

Does that describe your life? What does it look like?

5. The magi brought gifts and their worship to the Child Jesus. What reason does 2 Corinthians 8:1-5 give for the "giving" response of the churches of Macedonia?

Does your giving to the Lord line up with the principles in 2 Corinthians 9:6-8? Explain.

6. What is the main application of this study, and/or the sermon and its passages, for you?