# **Honoring the King**

# Matthew 2:1–12 (NKJV) Visit of Wise Men

**2** Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

<sup>3</sup> When Herod the king heard *this*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

<sup>5</sup> So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet:

'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

Are not the least among the rulers of Judah;

For out of you shall come a Ruler

Who will shepherd My people Israel.' "

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. <sup>8</sup> And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found *Him*, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also."

<sup>9</sup> When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. <sup>11</sup> And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: **gold**, **frankincense**, and **myrrh**.

<sup>12</sup> Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

# Revelation 19:16 (NKJV)

 $^{16}$  And He has on  $\it His$  robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS

### Colossians 2:9–10 (NKJV)

<sup>9</sup> For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; <sup>10</sup> and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

# Romans 12:1 (NKJV)

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

# Mark 15:23 (NKJV)

<sup>23</sup> Then they gave Him wine mingled with myrrh to drink, but He did not take *it*.

### John 1:29 (NKJV)

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

# John 19:39 (NKJV)

<sup>39</sup> And Nicodemus, who at first came to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds.

# Psalm 72 (NKJV)

# Glory and Universality of the Messiah's Reign

- Give the king Your judgments, O God, And Your righteousness to the king's Son.
- <sup>2</sup> He will judge Your people with righteousness, And Your poor with justice.
- The mountains will bring peace to the people, And the little hills, by righteousness.
- He will bring justice to the poor of the people; He will save the children of the needy, And will break in pieces the oppressor.
  - <sup>5</sup> They shall fear You

As long as the sun and moon endure, Throughout all generations.

- <sup>6</sup> He shall come down like rain upon the grass before mowing, Like showers *that* water the earth.
  - In His days the righteous shall flourish, And abundance of peace, Until the moon is no more.
  - He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.
  - Those who dwell in the wilderness will bow before Him, And His enemies will lick the dust.
  - The kings of Tarshish and of the isles Will bring presents;
    The kings of Sheba and Seba Will offer gifts.
    - 11 Yes, all kings shall fall down before Him; All nations shall serve Him.
    - For He will deliver the needy when he cries, The poor also, and *him* who has no helper.
      - He will spare the poor and needy, And will save the souls of the needy.
  - He will redeem their life from oppression and violence; And precious shall be their blood in His sight.
    - <sup>15</sup> And He shall live;

And the gold of Sheba will be given to Him; Prayer also will be made for Him continually, And daily He shall be praised.

There will be an abundance of grain in the earth,
On the top of the mountains;
Its fruit shall wave like Lebanon;

And *those* of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

<sup>17</sup> His name shall endure forever;

His name shall continue as long as the sun.

And *men* shall be blessed in Him; All nations shall call Him blessed.

- <sup>18</sup> Blessed *be* the LORD God, the God of Israel,
  - Who only does wondrous things!
- And blessed *be* His glorious name forever!

  And let the whole earth be filled *with* His glory.

  Amen and Amen.
- <sup>20</sup> The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.