

“THE MAGI COME TO JESUS”

1. Why was it important that Jesus be born in Bethlehem?

2. Since the Magi were pagan astrologers, why would they leave everything in order to follow that star?

3. How did Daniel show his true loyalty to God when he was first captured? What implications did this likely have for these Magi?

4. What would be an equivalent choice between God’s way and the “royal food” of the world today? What’s at stake for you in that choice?

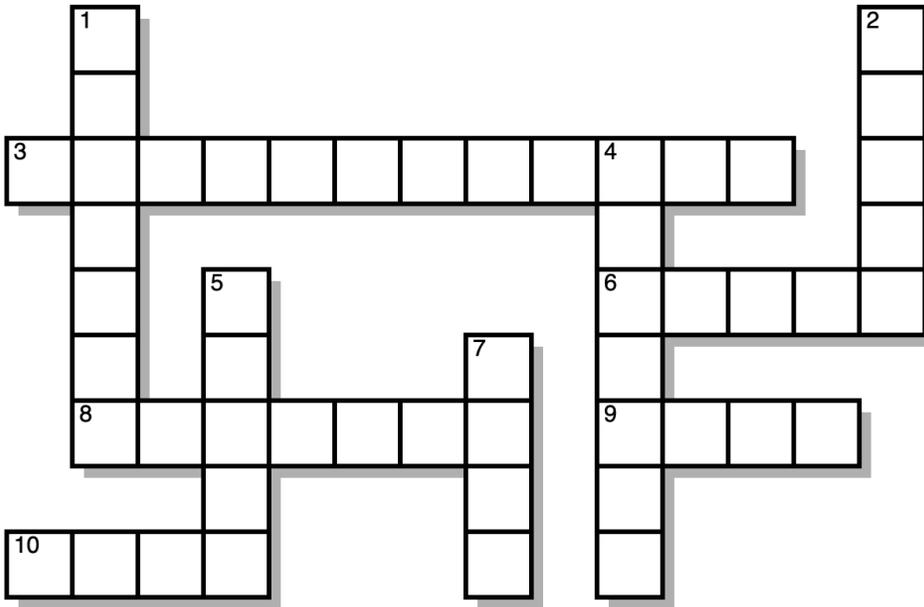
5. In light of the prophecy (v.6), why was Herod so concerned that the baby be found?

6. Trace the responses of the Magi upon seeing Jesus. How is that similar to the response that Christians make to Jesus? How is it different?

7. What do the star, the Magi, the gifts, the homage, the hostility, and the prophecy teach about the significance of Jesus?

8. In your “journey” toward God, how are you like the Magi? Unlike them? Have you had to leave anything to follow Jesus?

7. What is the “gold, incense, and myrrh” in your life? How have you offered this to Jesus?

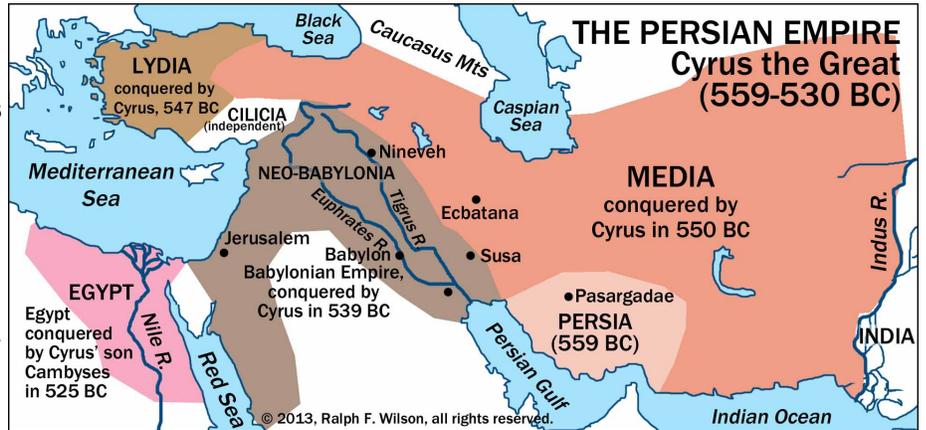


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- 1 The wise men say specifically in verse 2 that they have come to do this to the Messiah.
- 2 This was a spice used to anoint a body for burial.
- 4 From what book of the Bible does this prophecy come: “a star shall come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel”?
- 5 This Tetrarch reigned during the time of Jesus’ birth.
- 7 The wise men came from this direction.

Across

- 3 This was a gift for deity.
- 6 This prophet prophesied that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem.
- 8 The most powerful region next to Rome (from where the Magi likely came).
- 9 Herod was not even a full-blooded Jew; he was actually an Idumaeen, a descendant of this man.
- 10 This was a gift for royalty.



WORD SEARCH:

- Bethlehem Search
- Jerusalem Rejoice
- King Mary
- Jews Child
- Scribes Gifts
- Priests Dream
- Born Rich
- Star Poor
- Troubled Man
- Judah Woman
- Ruler Child
- Shepherd

