

## Sermon Notes for Sunday December 28

### What's Your Christmas Persona?

#### Matthew 2:1-12, 3 Responses to Worship

What role do you play at Christmas? What's your reaction towards Christmas and the King?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ - Wise Men
  - a. Sought Jesus as King v1,2
  - b. Sought Jesus with \_\_\_\_\_ v2b
  - c. Sought Jesus in the face of \_\_\_\_\_ circumstances v3,7-9
  - d. Sought Jesus with divine guidance v2,9,10a
    - i. experienced profound joy v10b
    - ii. worshipped v2,11
      1. How did they worship Jesus?
      2. Did Jesus the king need these gifts?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ - Herod
  - a. Disturbed and deceived v3,4
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ v7,8 from self-worship to false worship i. Have you ever been deceitful about motives for worship?
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ v13-18,19,23 i. Do you and I have any Herod in your heart?
3. \_\_\_\_\_ -
  - a. religious people
    - i. in attitude and in action
    - b. knew the \_\_\_\_\_ yet were indifferent v4-6
    - c. did not seek the newborn king
    - d. sent no delegation, could have gone with the wise men
    - e. knew the word but did not know \_\_\_\_\_ Jn 5:39,40 i. What was their excuse? What's ours?

The big idea in this passage? Recognize and worship the true king

Which person are you most like at Christmas? The whole year through?

Wise men- insightful in worship, Herod- indignant, Religious leaders- indifferent

Which is closest to Christ? Farthest away? Hardest to reach?

How do I become more authentic and adoring in worship of the true king?

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