

# THE KING HAS COME

Matthew 2:1-12

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The questions below are designed to be used by Saylorville Church Cell Groups as they meet during the week following the Sunday morning message at Saylorville. The intent is not for groups to answer every question, but for leaders to use the questions as a guide as they tailor the discussion to the unique needs of their group. The Sunday message and these questions can be found each week at [www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons](http://www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons).

## CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- What are some of the things that need to happen for this to be a great Christmas for you? Time with family? Snow? Certain decorations or gifts? Reading the Christmas story from the Bible?

## APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

- **Remember** what you talked about last week. Anything you need to follow up on as a group?
- **Review** the notes you took on Sunday. What is **one thing** that sticks out to you about what you heard?
- **Read** Matthew 2:1-12. In his message, Pastor Jason gave us **three responses to the coming of King Jesus**.

### How Have You Responded To King Jesus:

#### 1. Like Herod, are you ignoring Jesus?

- a. Herod was content to ignore Jesus until He was called "King." When you think of Jesus, do you think of Him as King of your life? If He is King, how should you respond to Him?
- b. Like Herod, we don't like the idea of someone else being on the throne of our life. Who/what are you tempted to put on the throne of your life instead of King Jesus?
- c. What would this Christmas look like if you ignored Jesus? What would it look like if you didn't?

#### 2. Like the religious leaders, are you indifferent to Jesus?

- a. The chief priests and scribes knew the truth about the Messiah, but they were too apathetic to care. Can you identify? Talk about a time in your life when you knew the right thing to do, but didn't.
- b. Why do you think people that have grown up knowing the truth aren't as excited about following Jesus as those who didn't know the truth growing up?
- c. Will this Christmas be an indifferent one for you? What would need to happen for you to truly follow Jesus this season?

#### 3. Like the Wise Men, are you seeking Jesus?

- a. The Wise Men took a long, hard journey to meet Jesus. Tell your group about the journey you took that led you to Jesus.
- b. Have you ever thought about the "gifts" that you give Jesus? What are some of the gifts that God has given you. Talk about how you might give your best back to the Lord this Christmas.
- c. What will you do to draw closer to King Jesus this month?

*Some ignored Him, some were indifferent to Him, and some worshiped Him. How will you respond to King Jesus this Christmas?*

## PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Take time to adore the Christ of Christmas.
- Confess your indifference, apathy, or opposition of King Jesus.
- Thank the Lord for the great gifts He has given you.
- Pray that people in your life will follow Jesus this season.

