

LIFEgroups

Matthew 2

Leader

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Go around and let everyone answer...

What person alive today have you dreamed of getting to meet?

(If you cannot think of someone alive, pick any person from history.)

How far would you go, or what would you be willing to do in order to actually spend a day with that person?

If you have had the opportunity to meet such a person in the past, tell about the experience.

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READ: Matthew 2:1-12

What do you think motivated these "Magi" or wise men to go see Jesus?

In what ways were they guided on their journey?

What barriers did they have to overcome?

In what ways did the Wise Men's views of Jesus differ from Herod's?

How do you think the lives of the Wise Men were impacted by their understanding of Jesus? How was the life of Herod impacted?

APPLY

What events, signs, or people have guided you on your own journey to see Jesus?

What barriers or obstacles have you overcome to find and follow Jesus?

Go around and let everyone answer...

What does Jesus mean to you at this point in your life?

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Sermon Series

This series based on the Gospel of Matthew illustrates how Jesus Christ is more than a great teacher. He is king of the universe.

Big Idea

Life is a decision about who will sit on the throne of your life. Those who honor Jesus as king will find that their lives are filled. However, those who elevate themselves to the supreme authority of life will face devastating consequences.

Prayer

Engage every person the group in the prayer time. Encourage every person to provide prayer requests, or if appropriate, for every person in the group to pray.

Group Discussion Reminder

Not every person in a group will participate equally in the discussion time. However, leaders should gently encourage every person to participate to some level during each encounter. On some questions, go around the room and ask each person to give an answer. This is especially helpful on the application questions.