

## **The KING Is Born: Luke 2:1-20.**

The trip from Nazareth to Bethlehem is about 80 miles. Mary didn't have to go with Joseph for the tax census due to the advanced pregnancy, but she did, everything is set for the birth of a King.

**Micah 5:2** - *“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting.”*

The striking thing about this story is the simplicity of the setting (no hype or worldly pomp; the King lay in a feeding trough wrapped in strips of cloth, announced to shepherds by angels), yet it is the greatest and most significant story ever, the best news ever, a mix of heavenly royalty and poor humanity.

**Isaiah 9:6** - *For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.*

**Luke 1:32-33** - *“He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. “And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”*

**Matthew 2:11** - *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.*

The born King is worshipped by angels, shepherds and wise-men. They knew better than some today.

He is no longer a baby, no longer a carpenter; He gave sight to the blind, healed the sick and crippled, walked on water, the storms obeyed Him, fed the hungry, brought back the dead to life, lived a perfectly-sinless life, He is the crucified, spread spiritual wisdom, loved sacrificially and unconditionally, made a way to heaven through His death, saved us from the curse of sin, He rose from the dead, ascended into heaven and reigns as LORD of lords and KING of Kings.

Like the Arabs from the East, let's bow before Him, fall on our knees and crown Him with many golden-crowns, let's join the angels to sing Him praise, our hearts.

**1 Chronicles 16:29** - Give to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come before Him. Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness!

**Psalms 99:5** - Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His footstool—He is holy.

**Revelation 14:6-7** - Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth—to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people—saying with a loud voice, “Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water.”