

## LIFE GROUPS DISCUSSION GUIDE

**WORSHIP & WONDER** Matthew 2:1–12

December 20, 2020

**CONNECT**

1. What have you spent the most time searching for as we approach Christmas?

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2. If Jesus could be found five miles south of where you are located, would you go see Him? Why or why not?
3. If Jesus speaks to you through His Word and comes to you, to what degree do you let Him dwell with you and transform you (Hebrews 1:1–4, 4:12, John 5:37–40, Revelation 3:20)? Does your commitment to meeting God in studying the Bible, talking to Him and obeying what Jesus says suggest you are apathetic or enthusiastic about this now risen king?
4. Read Matthew 2. Observe who seeks God and for what reasons. As they encounter the truth of who Jesus is, observe how people respond emotionally and with actions. Are there examples you desire to emulate or avoid?
5. Why is Jesus being “born king of the Jews” a threat to Herod (Matthew 2:2–4)? How might Jesus as the only wise and true king be a threat to both Jews and gentiles of our day?
6. Read Micah 5:2–5. How is Jesus being the true king a gift to both Jews and gentiles of our day? Pause to celebrate these truths.
7. What does it actually look like for us as a church to seek and worship Jesus together? Consider what this looks like in Sunday worship gatherings, conversations with brothers and sisters in life groups and with more casual Christian relationships now as well as in your spiritual legacy.
8. How does the degree to which you worship God during the week impact how you worship Him together (Romans 12:1–2)? Are you treasuring Jesus more in your day-to-day after these last two sermons than you had prior?
9. Using Micah 5:2–6 and Matthew 2; 28:18–20, worship Jesus for who He is and what He has promised.

**CONTRIBUTE**

10. How will you tell family and friends (who don't yet know Him) about Jesus the great king this Christmas season? Pray for opportunities and take them!