

A night cityscape with a bright green starburst in the sky. The text is overlaid on this background.

*-CHRISTMAS-
PRESENCE*

Matthew 2

DRAWS



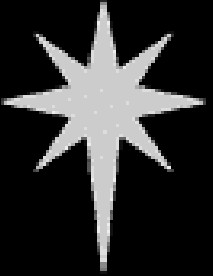
Matthew 2:1-2,9-12 NIV



After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”



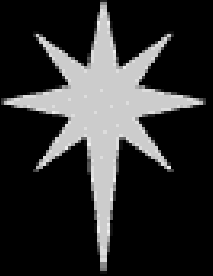
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After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.



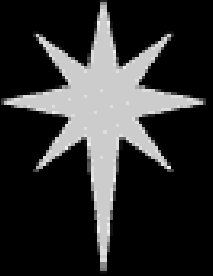
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On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.



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where the child was.*



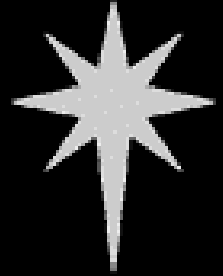
DRAWN BY THE STAR

**Got their Attention
Gave them Direction
*Grace & Guidance***

*For the Son of Man came to seek
and to save the lost.*



*When they saw the star,
they were overjoyed.*



DRAWN TO SEARCH

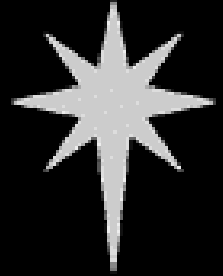
Joy & Anticipation

**Magi: Seeking
Religious Leaders: Satisfied**

*you will find him if you seek him
with all your heart*



*they bowed down and
worshiped him.*



DRAWN TO WORSHIP

Humility & Offering

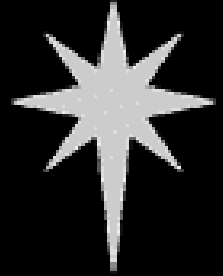
**Continue to Offer Yourself
God's Continued Leading**

Lives of Surrender and Obedience

... present yourselves to God



Wise Men Still Seek Him



**God is Drawing Us
His Truth, His Presence**

Turn to Jesus

**God is Drawing
Diligently Seek Him**

Respond with Worship and Obedience