

The Act Of Worship

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Matthew 2:1-12

We usually refer to them as “wise men.” The magi in Matthew 2 did spend their time in study and knew a lot about stars and omens, but their true “wisdom” is found in their acting upon the one specific revelation granted to them when Jesus, our Savior, was born.

These Gentiles recognized his star as extraordinary. They responded by seeking the true “king of the Jews.” They expected to find him in the king’s palace (a slight detour when they first trusted their own judgment), but discovered him in a small house in a tiny town when they turned their eyes once more to their star: their revelation and their guide.

Their obedient action led them to the Christ child, the Savior of the world. Complete joy spilled into reverence as they bowed in adoration and offered their best gifts.

True worship demands action; it is never passive. The “wise men” teach us to be open and searching for God’s revelation. When we recognize the truth, we must act.

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