

Sunday, December 29, 2024

"Who Seeks Jesus" ~ Matthew 2:1-12

In the account of the wisemen and the star Christmas has come for us in different perspectives. Think of the Christmas setting. The greatest event with the Angels stirring. What is it about the star? The birth of Christ? Who do we seek? How does Christ invade our lives?

As they were guided by the star, we today are guided by the Holy Spirit. Three facts to remember.

Gather light – God uses _____ (various) means to draw people to Himself. What testimony do we share or live? How did God use an Angel to declare the message to the shepherds? How did God use a dream to invade Joseph? Does God always act the same way? No, God will reveal His Son to the world through different people, in different settings. How do people find Christ? People don't just find Christ at church. Sometimes it's in a classroom where people open their heart to Christ. Sometimes people find Christ through reading a Gideon Bible. Sometimes in a plane God speaks to someone. God is not boxed into a place where people experience Christ as Lord and Savior. How do you explain the plan of salvation? We can receive light from the star in order to be drawn to Christ.

God uses that which is consecrated to Him – How did God create? His star is special. God uses _____ (various) people to draw others to Christ. It's important to know that God uses people who are _____ (set apart) to draw others to Himself. How available are you? Faithful people. Available people. Trustworthy people.

God wants those who draw others to Jesus to _____ (focus) only on Jesus. Point people to Jesus (vs. 9). The mission of the star. Focus on the Savior. Jesus is enough. Jesus is everything.