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**THE "WISE MEN'S" WISDOM**

(Matthew 2:1-16)

**1. THEY WERE INTERESTED IN JESUS (v2)**

That's a good starting place for us, too.

We should be interested in Jesus; He's interesting. (Matt. 1:21; 1 Peter 2:22-24)

**2. THEY WERE READY TO SEARCH FOR JESUS (v2)**

It was not a forced march; seeing "His star," they began the journey.

Herod was searching, too; however, for the wrong reason. (v3, v13, v16)

**3. THEY DID NOT LET SOMEONE ELSE DO THEIR SEARCHING**

Herod let others do the searching. (v8)

(Acts 17:11; 1 Thessalonians 5:21; 2 Timothy 2:15)

**4. THEY WERE NOT TOO PROUD TO ASK FOR GUIDANCE (v2) "Where ...?"**

Wow! Men stopping to ask for directions.

(Acts 8:30-31) "... he asked Philip to come up and sit with him."

**5. THEY LISTENED TO GOD RATHER THAN MAN (v8-9, v12)**

(Acts 5:29) "We ought to obey God rather than men."

**6. THEY WERE WILLING TO PAY THE PRICE TO FIND JESUS**

They counted that the cost of the journey would be worth it all.

**7. THEY DID NOT STOP UNTIL THEY FOUND JESUS (v9)**

Many start with good intentions, go a long way, and then stop short of the goal.

(Galatians 5:7; Acts 24:25; Acts 26:28)

**8. FINDING JESUS, THEY DISPLAYED THEIR DEVOTION IN WORSHIP (v11)**

Some, having found Jesus, do not worship Him afterwards.

(Hebrews 10:23-25; 1 Peter 2:2-3)

**9. THEY PROVED THEIR SINCERITY BY GIVING TO JESUS (v11)**

They gave more than the expense of the journey: "presented gifts to Him"

**CLOSE:** We see the wisdom of the wise men. Wise men still seek Him. How wise are you?