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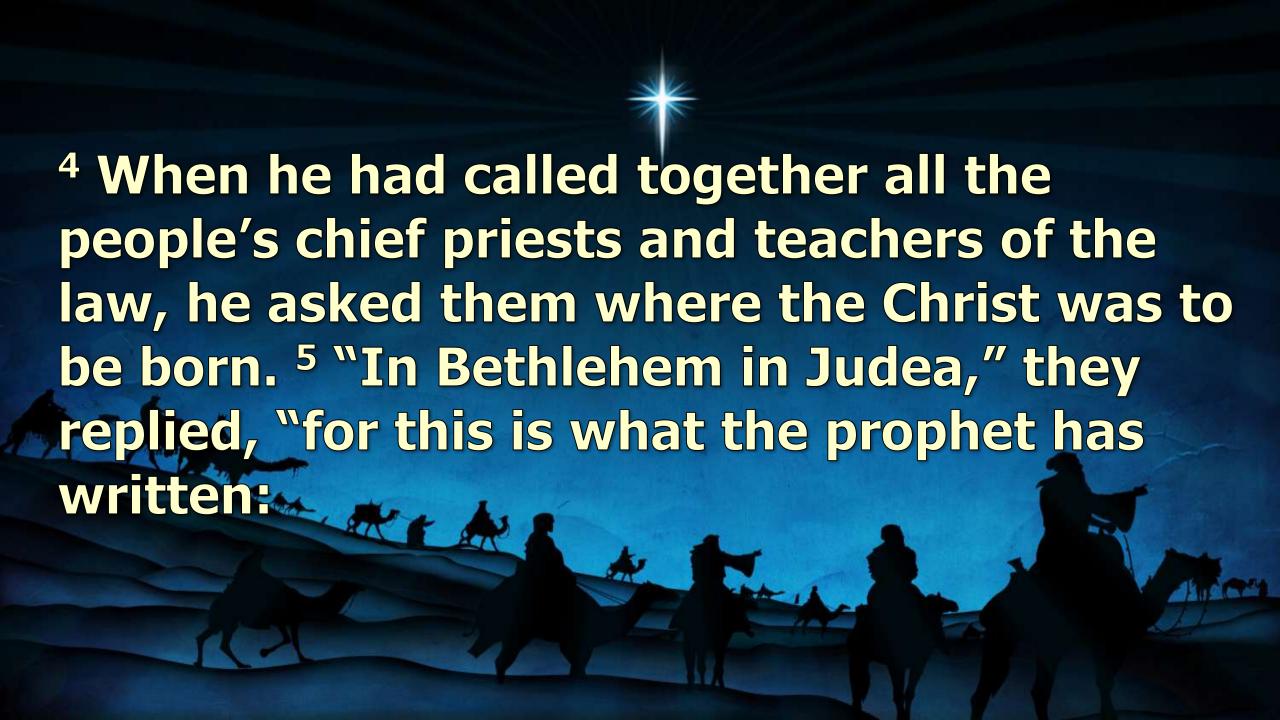
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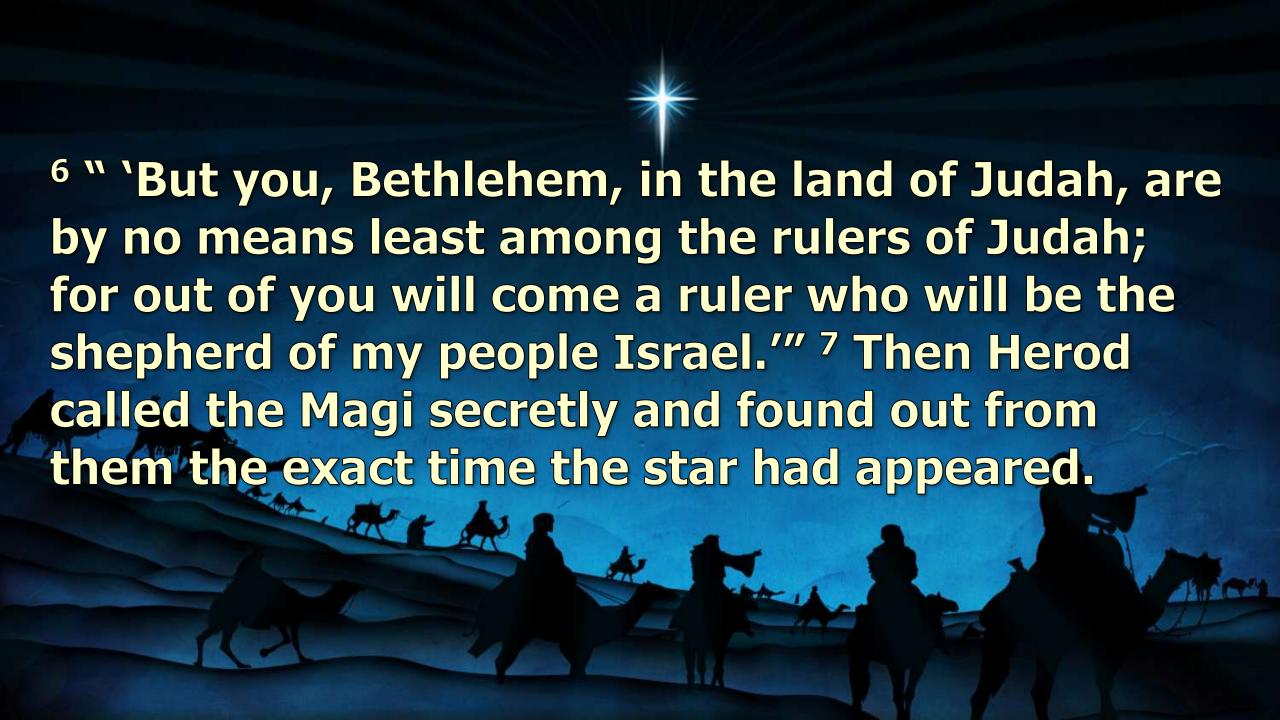
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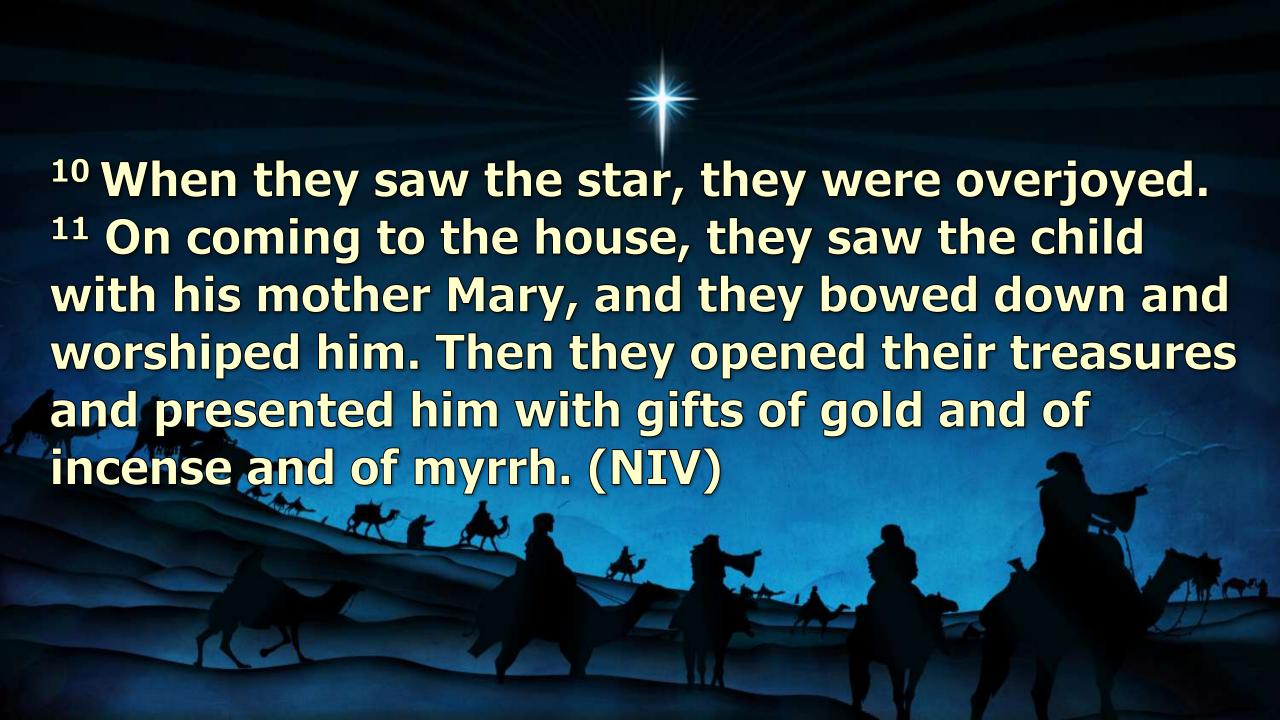
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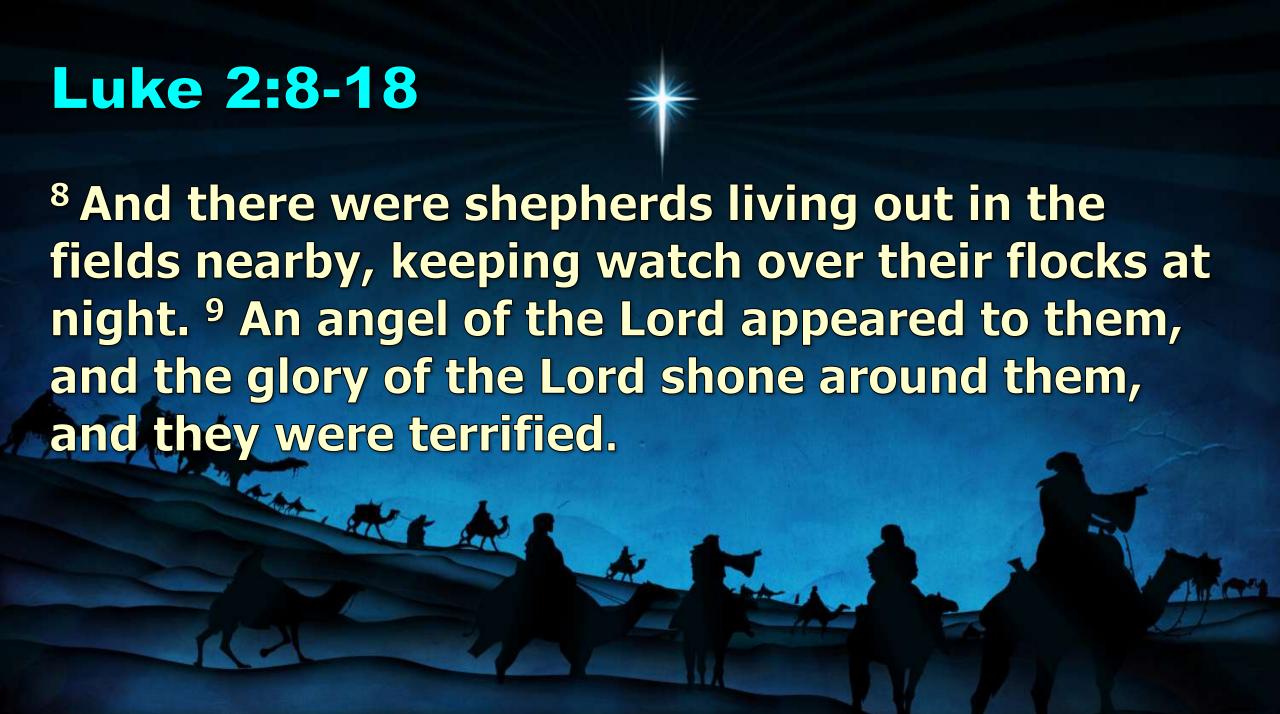
After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." 3 When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.



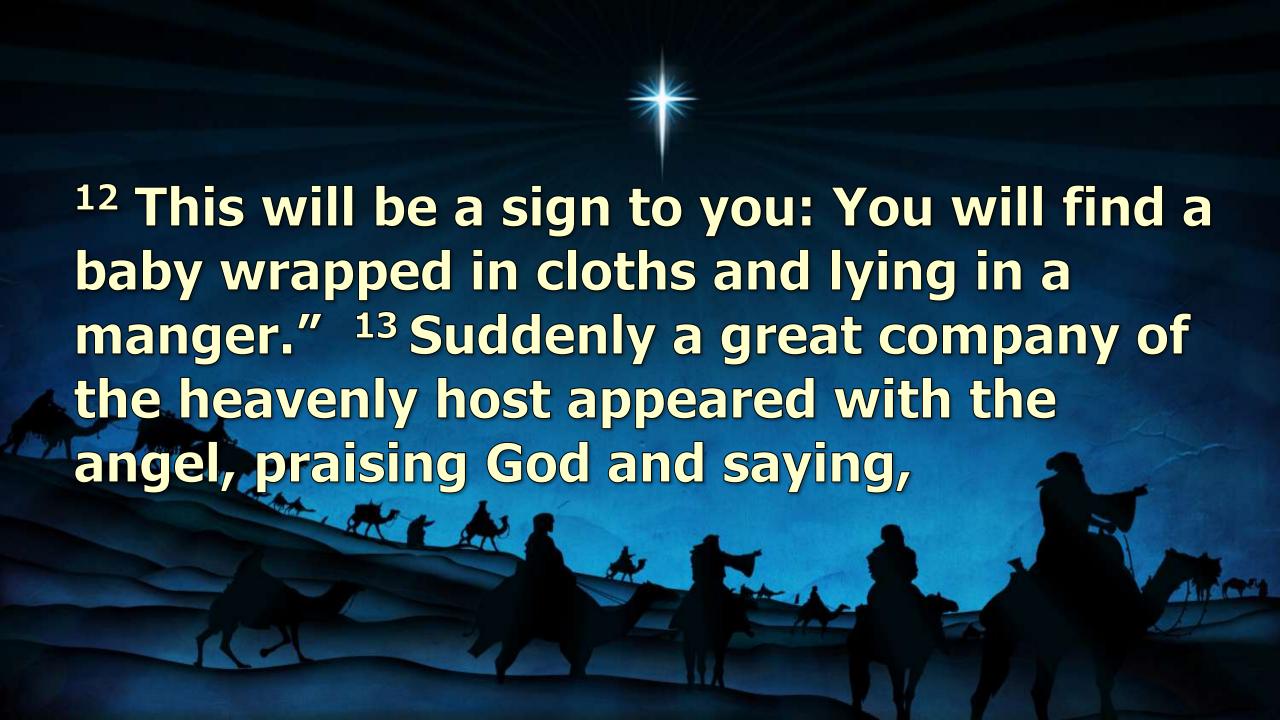


8 He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." 9 After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.

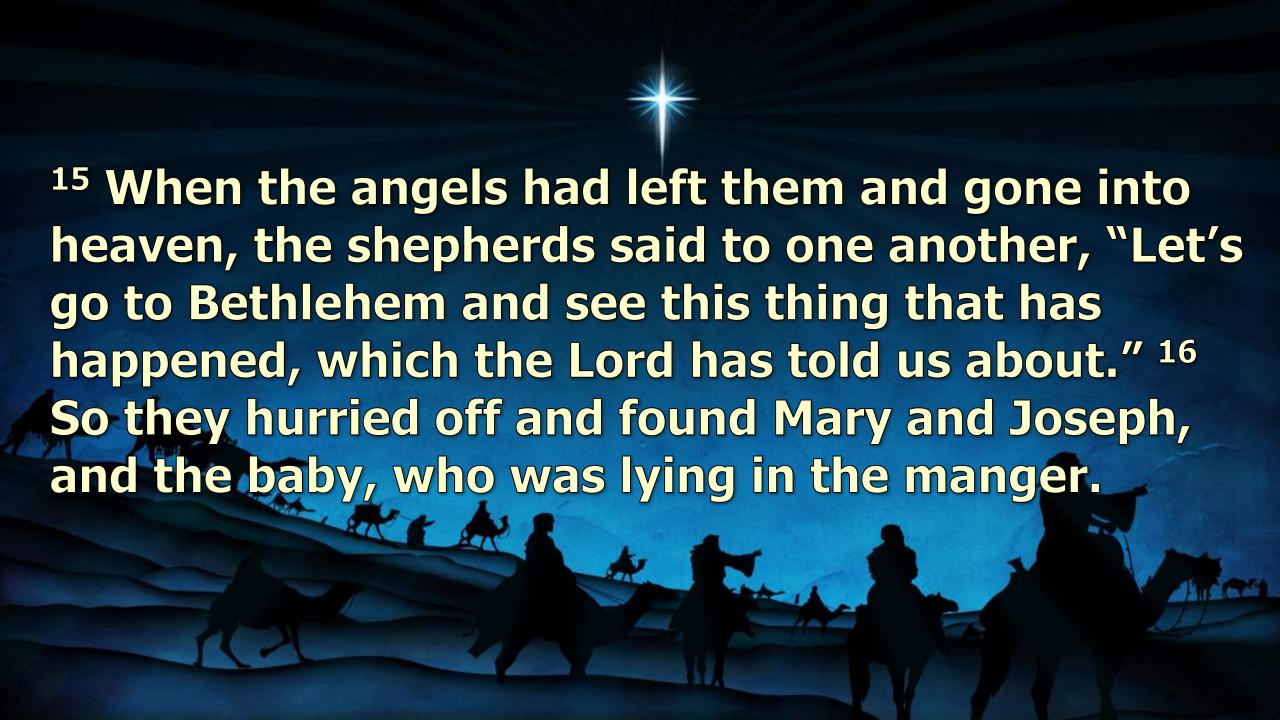


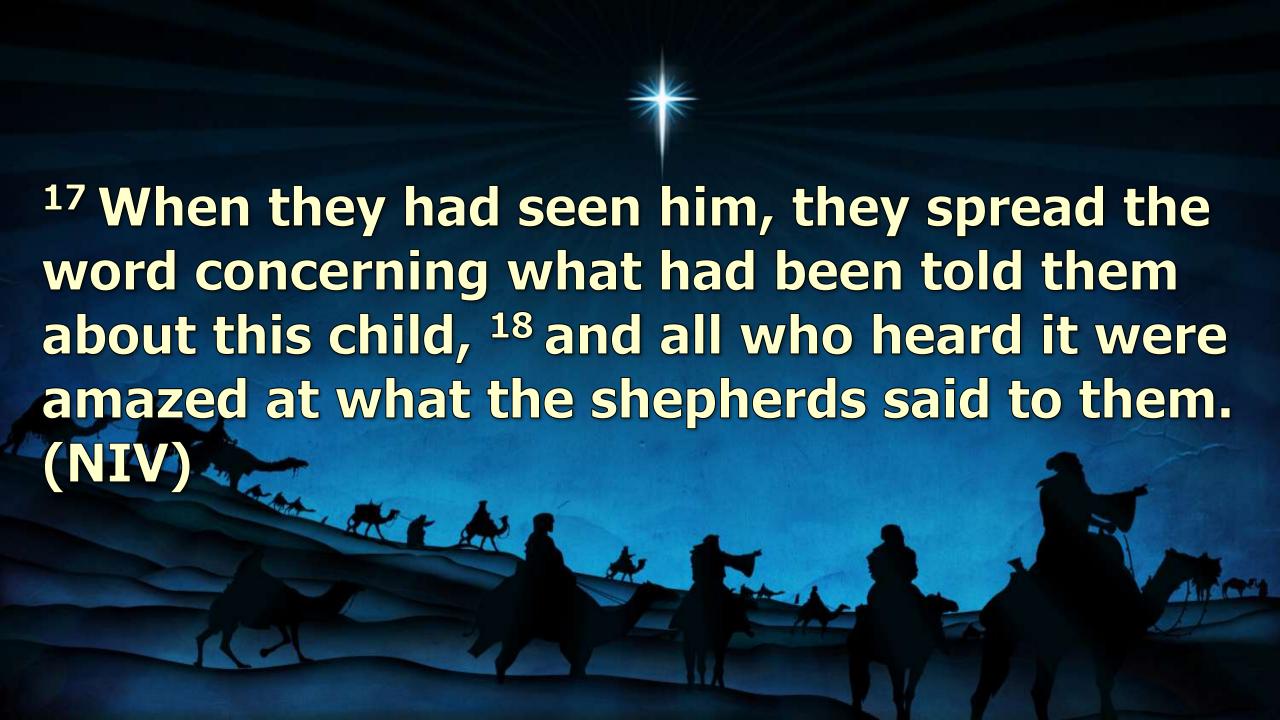


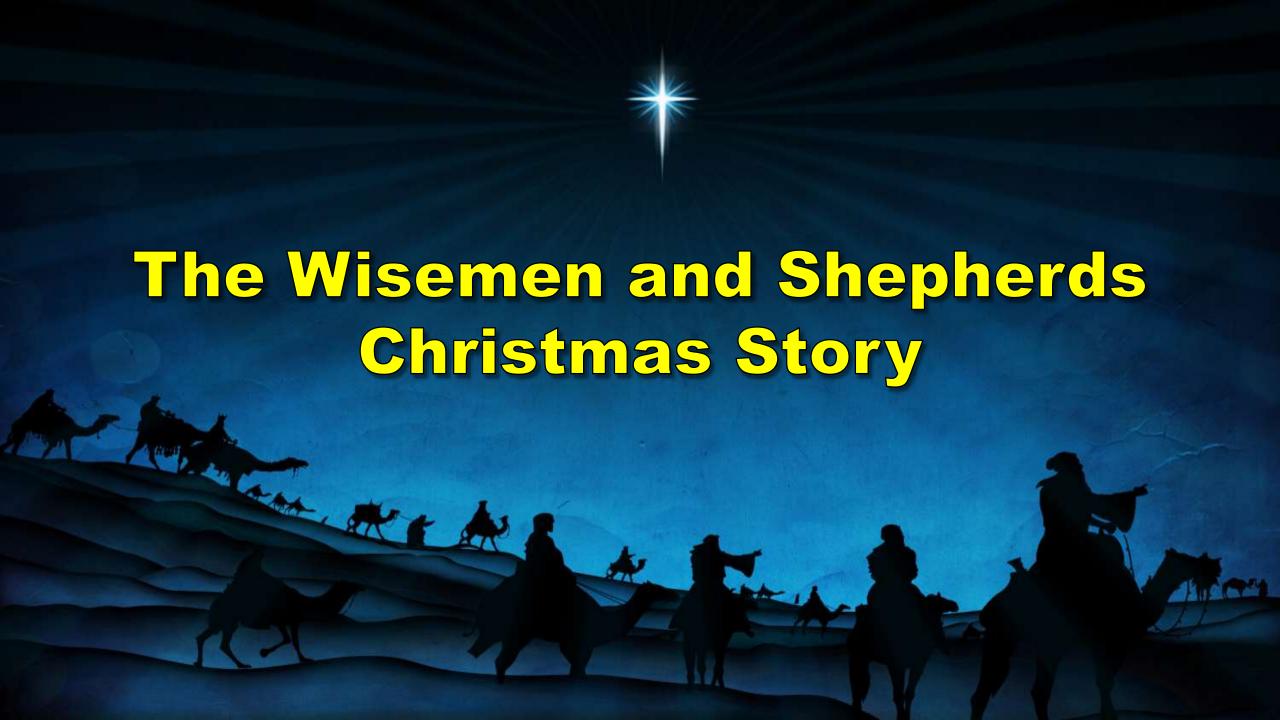














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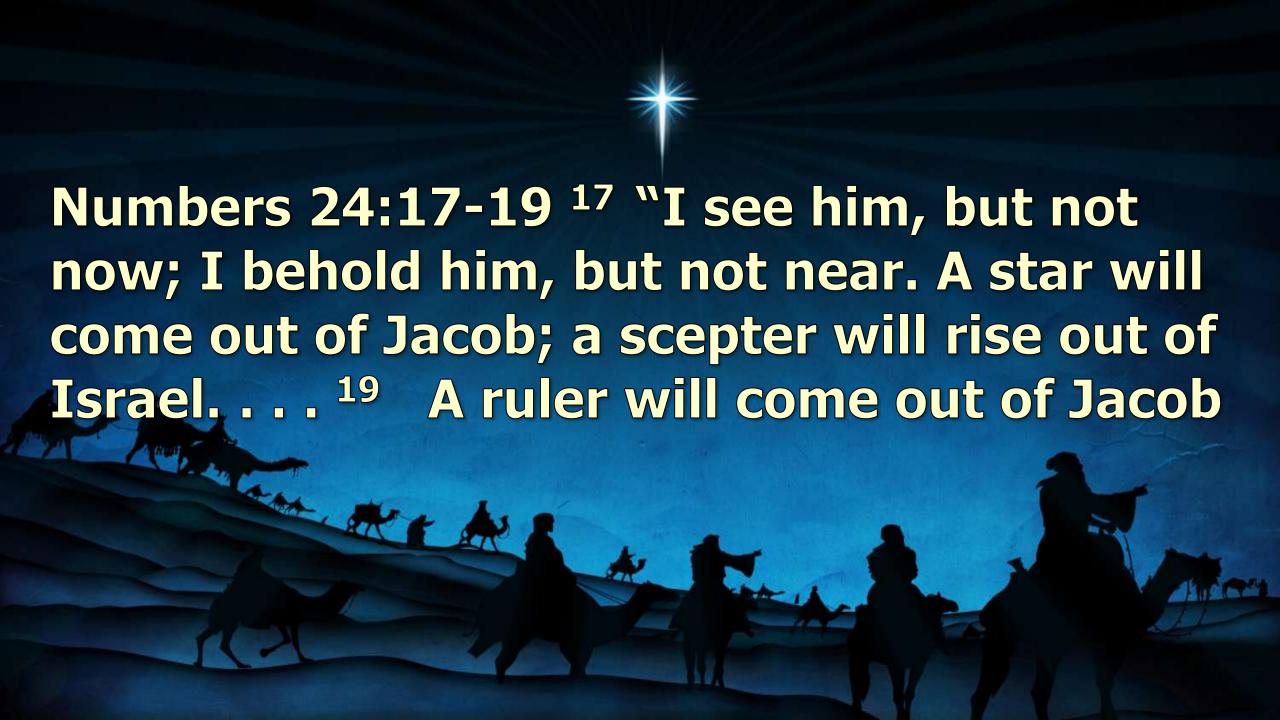


In 2016, the word of the year was *post-truth*, which basically describes a mentality that elevates feelings and preferences over facts and truth. We haven't abandoned truth, we have simply made it less important than our preferences and desires.



A. They Were Motivated by a **Star**.

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the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. 5 "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: - AN CANAL PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PART



Matthew 2:10 When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.



3. The Treasures They Brought.

Matthew 2:11 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 and of incense and of



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B. The Presents



Given in Worship.

Matthew 2:11b Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.

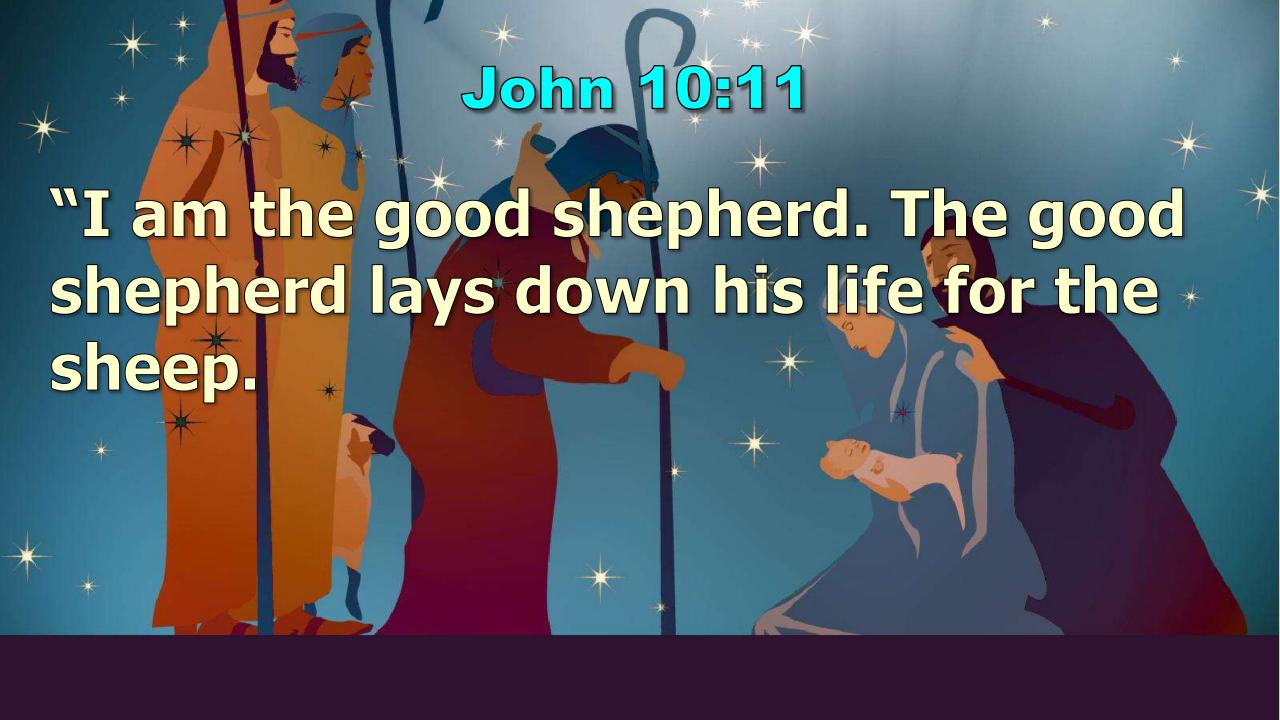




1: Observe Their

Vocation

*Luke*2:8 And there were shepherds living *out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. (NIV)



2. Observe Their Vision

Luke 2:13-14 Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, 14 "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

3. Observe Their Visit

Luke 2:17-18 When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, 18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. (NIV)

