

THREE DIFFERENT RESPONSES TO THE BIRTH OF KING JESUS
JOYFUL WORSHIP, FEARFUL AGITATION AND MURDEROUS HATE
Matthew 2:1-12

I. GENTILE MAGI ARRIVE LOOKING TO WORSHIP KING JESUS (1-2)

**II. THE RESPONSE OF KING HEROD AND THE UNEXPECTED RESPONSE OF
THE JEWS IN JERUSALEM: Very troubled (3)**

**III. KING HEROD'S RESPONSE: A calculated & deceptive to plot to kill King Jesus
(4-8)**

A. **Herod inquires** of Israel's theocrats **where** King Jesus was to be born:
Bethlehem (4-6)

B. **Herod ascertains** from the Magi **when** the star appeared (7)

C. **Herod deceptively uses the Magi's** desire to find King Jesus, so he can kill Him
(8,13b)

**IV. THE RESPONSE OF THE GENTILE MAGI: Undeterred Worship & Obedience (9-
12)**

A. The Joyous **search continues** until they find Him (9-10)

B. **Their response when they find Him:** Humble Worship, Obedience (11-12)