

5. How would you summarize everything we have learned in this lesson about both Jesus and ourselves?

If you are studying at home without the previously-cited publication from Rose Publishing, then also read the following scriptures, as they point to the Joy of Christ that was fulfilled at his birth in Bethlehem.

- Isaiah 60:3 "Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn." *[NIV]*
- Matthew 2:2 "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." *[NIV]*
- Numbers 24:17 "I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near. A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise out of Israel. He will crush the foreheads of Moab, the skulls of all the people of Sheth." *[NIV]*
- Matthew 2:3-4 When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. *[NIV]*
- Psalm 2:2-3 The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together against the LORD and against his anointed, saying, "Let us break their chains and throw off their shackles." *[NIV]*
- Matthew 2:8 He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." *[NIV]*
- Matthew 2:9-11 After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. 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, frankincense and myrrh. *[NIV]*
- Psalm 72:10-15 May the kings of Tarshish and of distant shores bring tribute to him. May the kings of Sheba and Seba present him gifts. May all kings bow down to him and all nations serve him. For he will deliver the needy who cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help. He will take pity on the weak and the needy and save the needy from death. He will rescue them from oppression and violence, for precious is their blood in his sight. Long may he live! May gold from Sheba be given him. May people ever pray for him and bless him all day long. *[NIV]*
- Isaiah 60:5-6 Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the LORD. *[NIV]*
- Hosea 11:1 "When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son." *[NIV]*
- Numbers 24:7-8 "Their king will be greater than Agag; their kingdom will be exalted, God brought them out of Egypt." *[NIV]*

Thanks for studying with us!

In Christ,

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