

# **Matthew 2**

**“A New Age Has Begun”**

## Introduction

- *Mark: Gospel of the servant; written for Roman readers.*
- *Luke: as the perfect Son of Man, for the Greeks.*
- *John, much later was universal presented Him as the Son of God.*
- *Matthew*
  - *only one of the synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) to have an apostolic author*
  - *wrote to his fellow Jews, presenting Jesus as the king and promised Messiah.*

## **Introduction – Wiersbe Breakdown On “Doing and Teaching”**

<b>Narrative</b>	<b>Teaching</b>	<b>Transition</b>
<b>1-4</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>7:28</b>
<b>8:1-9:34</b>	<b>9:35-10:42</b>	<b>11:1</b>
<b>11:2-12:50</b>	<b>13:1-52</b>	<b>13:53</b>
<b>13:53-17:27</b>	<b>18:1-35</b>	<b>19:1</b>
<b>19:1-23:39</b>	<b>24:1-25:46</b>	<b>26:1</b>
<b>26:1-28:20</b>	<b>Passion Narrative</b>	

## **Introduction – Wiersbe Breakdown On Six Major Messages**

- **Sermon on the Mount (5-7)**
- **Charge to the Apostles (10)**
- **Parables of the Kingdom (13)**
- **Lesson on Forgiveness (18)**
- **Denunciation of the Pharisees (23)**
- **Mount of Olives (24-25)**

## **Introduction – Prominent Jewish Groups of the Time**

- **Pharisees – original back to the Bible guys, concentrated on the Law of Moses and religious tradition**
- **Essenes – segregated themselves to isolated areas, devoted themselves to holiness**
- **Zealots – armed resistance against Rome, and any collaborators, drawing inspiration from the successful Maccabean revolt a few centuries before.**

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- **Sadducees – A minority group that held most of the political and religious power.**
  - **Temple priests,**
  - **Aligned themselves with Rome believing Roman culture would become the status quo.**
  - **chief priest was often assigned by Rome instead of being chosen as biblically prescribed.**
- **Common people – largest group. Belonged to none of these groups. Very often observant in their faith, but more invested in daily living.**

# **11/17 Memory Verse**

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*Matthew 1:21*

*"And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."*



**1-2**

**Pagans Come to  
Worship the King**

## **1-2 Pagans Come to Worship the King**

*Micah 5:2*

*"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, [Though] you are little among the thousands of Judah, [Yet] out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth [are] from of old, From everlasting.*

## **1-2 Pagans Come to Worship the King**

*Numbers 24:17*

*"I see Him, but not now; I behold Him, but not near; A Star shall come out of Jacob; A Scepter shall rise out of Israel, And batter the brow of Moab, And destroy all the sons of tumult.*

**3**

**Herod and Jerusalem  
is Troubled**

**4-6**

# **The Chief Priests and Scribes**

**7-8**

# **Herod's Plot**

**9-12**

**Gifts for the King**

**13-15**

**Refuge in Egypt**



**16-18**

**The Massacre of the Innocents**

## 16-18 The Massacre of the Innocents

*“This prophecy was literally fulfilled when Judah was carried into captivity; there was then a great mourning in the tribes of Benjamin and Judah, for their children that were slain and carried away into captivity. It was now fulfilled, that is, verified, a second time.”*

*- Matthew Poole (Guzik)*

**19-21**

**Out of Egypt**

**22-23**

**The Nazarene**

## 22-23 The Nazarene

### Isaiah 11:1

*There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.*

Neser (pro: nay'-tser)

# **Taking It Home**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

**Psalm 2:1, 4**

**1 Why do the nations rage, And the people  
plot a vain thing? ...**

**4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh;  
The Lord shall hold them in derision.**