

Week 51
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Transforming Daily
“... wise men ...”
Matthew 2:1

How did the wise men know that the star they had been following marked the place of the Christ child? Oversimplified, God's Word is what led the wise men to seek Him. Numbers 24:17 and Isaiah 60:3 are two passages of Scripture that could possibly be a reference to that very event. Keep in mind, however, the wise men found Jesus as a child in a house not an infant in a manger.

Implied in verse 12 could be another way the wise men knew where to look. Verse 12 says that after meeting with King Herod, and subsequently thereafter finding the Christ child, they were divinely warned in a dream not to return to Herod. So it might very well be that God had been divinely leading the wise men all along. Personally, that's what I believe. Through various means and ways, though not specifically recorded in Scripture, God led the wise men right to the doorstep where Jesus lived.

For the 21st century believer, and nonbeliever for that matter, we have the full cannon of Scripture. We need no visitation from angels. We need no spiritual vision outside of Scripture. We need no warm and fuzzy feeling inside to confirm what is of God or not. That isn't to say that God can't or won't move in these ways or in any other way He sees fit; it is to say that God's Word, the Holy Bible, comprised of the Old Testament and New Testament as we have them, is the inerrant, inspired, infallible, complete, and authoritative Word of God concerning all matters natural and supernatural.

The wise men were divinely inspired by God's Word to seek after the Savior. They heard His Word and heeded His Word and found Who they were looking for. Today, His Word still moves men, women, girls and boys to seek after the Savior. We are inspired, drawn, if you will, by the Light of the world, just as the wise men, to the Lord's anointed. They found Him. How about you?

Have you heard His Word? Have you heeded His Word? Have you found the Light? Do you know the Lord in a personal way? Are you still seeking Him while He may be found? The Bible says that no one seeks after Him unless they are drawn. Are you being drawn to faith in Christ or further discipleship? Wise women, girls and boys seek Him, and so do wise men.