

## **“Where Is He?”**

**Text: Matthew 2:1-2**

### **Introduction:**

- The wise men were seeking the Lord.
- The first question in the N.T. (**Mt. 2:2**).
- People are seeking everything else, except Him!
- They are seeking a feeling; popularity; success; self-esteem; wealth; positions; friendships; companionship.
  - He is no longer found in a manger.
  - He is not on the cross!
  - He is not in the tomb!
  - He does not live in a tabernacle or on a Catholic altar.
  - He is NOT found by some mystical experience!
  - Or a burning in your bosom.

### **I. You can find Him in the SCRIPTURES (Mt. 2: 5 cf. John 5:39).**

- They probably learned about the coming of the Messiah from the Book of Daniel.

**A. The Ethiopian Eunuch found Jesus in the Scriptures (Acts 8:30-33). – **Eunuch found Jesus in the Book of Isaiah.****

**B. The Emmaus disciples found Jesus in the Scriptures. "**And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself**" (Luke 24:27).**

**ILLUS: Christ is Every Book In The Bible-**

### **Christ in Every Book in the Bible**

- In **Genesis**, He is the promised Seed
- In **Exodus**, He is the Smitten Rock
- In **Leviticus**, He is the sacrificial Lamb
- In **Numbers**, He is the Brazen Serpent
- In **Deuteronomy**, He is the Prophet like unto Moses
- In **Joshua**, He is Captain of the Lord's hosts
- In **Judges**, He is the angel of the Lord appearing unto Manoah

- In **Ruth**, He is the Kinsman Redeemer
- In **Samuel**, He is the prophesied Son of David
- In **Kings & Chronicles**, He is the One greater than Solomon
- In **Ezra**, He is One with the good hand
- In **Nehemiah**, He is the Wall-builder
- In **Esther**, He is Unseen Hand
- In **Job**, He is the Living Redeemer
- In **Psalms**, He is the coming Messiah
- In **Proverbs**, He is Wisdom
- In **Ecclesiastes**, He is the truth above the sun
- In the **Song of Solomon**, He is the Rose of Sharon
- In **Isaiah**, He is wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father
- In **Jeremiah**, He is the Lord our Righteousness
- In **Ezekiel**, He is the Prince who enters the Eastern Gate
- In **Daniel**, He is the Ancient of Days
- In **Hosea**, He is the Husband of Gomer
- In **Joel**, He is the One roaring out of Zion
- In **Amos**, He is the One standing upon the altar
- In **Obadiah**, He is the Humbler of Edom's pride
- In **Jonah**, He is typified as in the heart of earth three days and three nights.
- In **Micah**, He is the Ruler of Israel
- In **Nahum**, He is our Stronghold in the day of wrath
- In **Habakkuk**, He is the Lord in His Holy Temple
- In **Zephaniah**, He is the Lord in the midst
- In **Haggai**, He is the desire of all nations
- In **Zechariah**, He is the One wounded in the house of His friends
- In **Malachi**, He is the Sun of Righteousness
- In **Matthew**, He is the King of the Jews
- In **Mark**, He is the servant of the Lord
- In **Luke**, He is the Son of Man
- In **John**, He is the Son of God
- In **Acts**, He is the Builder of the Church
- In **Romans**, He is the Justifier of him who believes
- In **1 Corinthians**, He is the first-fruits from among the dead
- In **2 Corinthians**, He is the unspeakable gift
- In **Galatians**, He is the Seed of Abraham
- In **Ephesians**, He is the head of church
- In **Philippians**, He is the supplier of every need
- In **Colossians**, He is the preeminent One
- In **1 & 2 Thessalonians**, He is the returning Lord
- In **1 Timothy**, He is God manifest in the flesh

- In **2 Timothy**, He is the Lord, the righteous judge
- In **Titus**, He is the Blessed Hope
- In **Philemon**, He is Savior of Slaves
- In **Hebrews**, He is the High Priest
- In **James**, He is the Judge standing before the door
- In **1 Peter**, He is the chief shepherd
- In **2 Peter**, He is the day star arising in our heart
- In **1 John**, He is our Advocate
- In **2 John**, He is the confession of one who is true
- In **3 John**, He is source of prosperity
- In **Jude**, He is coming with ten thousands of his saints
- In **Revelation**, He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords

## II. **You can find Him in the SAINTS (Gal. 2:20).**

### **ILLUS:**

- Many years ago near the royal English residence on the Isle of Wight stood several homes for the poor and aged.
- A missionary, visiting some of the elderly people one day, asked a lady, "Does Queen Victoria ever call on you here?"
- "Oh, yes," was the answer, "Her Majesty frequently comes to see us."
- Then, wondering if the woman was a Christian, the missionary inquired, "Does the King of kings ever visit here?"
- The lady immediately gave him a happy, knowing smile and replied, "No, sir, He doesn't visit here -- praise God, He lives here."

### A. **Christ comes into your heart by faith (Eph, 3:17)**

### B. **"... Christ in you the hope of glory" (Col. 1:27).**

## II. **You can find Him SEATED at the right hand of God. (Heb. 8:1; 9:24).**

### A. **He is my full-time Intercessor (Heb. 7:25)!!!**

- Are difficult circumstances creating fear in your heart?
- Do you ever wonder if anyone is praying for you?
- Do you ever sigh, "Lord, I need someone to pray for me right now."
- Jesus is praying for you at that very moment.
- As your Great High Priest, He is your lifelong intercessor.

- Robert Murray McCheyne (1813-1843), pioneer missionary to America, said, "If I could hear Christ praying for me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies.
- Yet distance makes no difference.
- He is always praying for me!"
- By faith, hear Him praying around the clock for you, as if He were in the next room.

**B. He is my Advocate who defends me against Satan's accusations.**

**1John 2:1.**

**CONCLUSION:**

- The wise men were seeking the Christ and they FOUND HIM!
- God will make Himself known to anyone who sincerely seeks to know Him.
  - **"Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near" (Isa. 55:6).**
  - **"And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart" (Jer. 29:13).**
  - **"That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us" (Acts 17:27).**
- Edith Schaeffer tells of a man in China who was seeking to know the true God.
- The Lord honored his desire by leading him to find a torn page from a catechism that had been prepared by a missionary.
- On it was the question, "Are there more gods than one?" with the answer, "No, there is only one true God."
- Another question was, "Should we worship idols?"
- There was only the word "No," and the rest was torn off.
- But on the basis of those words he went home and destroyed his demon altars.
- Then his daughter became ill.
- "You've angered the demons," his neighbors accused.
- Hoping to get nearer to God, the man climbed a mountain peak and asked God to heal his daughter.
- Returning home, he learned that her fever had left at the exact time he had prayed.
- Later in a marketplace he found a copy of Mark's gospel.
- After reading it and learning about Jesus, he became a Christian.