¹After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, "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."

Matthew 2:1-6 (NIV)



³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴When 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. ⁵ "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:

Matthew 2:1-6 (NIV)



"But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

Matthew 2:1-6 (NIV)



HOMEIS A JOURNEY



The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing."

Genesis 12:1-2 (NIV)



When the people of Israel left Egypt, when Jacob's descendants left that foreign land, Judah became the Lord's holy people, Israel became his own possession.

Psalm 114:1-2 (GNT)



"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." Mark 4:19 (NIV)



"Researchers concluded that there was no established definition of home, but rather, it is a place where people feel attached, comfortable, and secure."

'Where Is Your Home?,' Diana Raab

Psychology Today



Jesus Came to Lead Us



Ruler:

one with authority or command over another; a person exercising governance or dominion.



"Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne, and I have founded empires. But on what did we rest the creations of our genius? Upon force. Jesus Christ founded his empire upon love; and at this hour millions of men would die for him."

Napoleon Bonaparte



Jesus Came to Guide Us



How Jesus Guides Us:

- 1. His Word
- 2. His Spirit's Witness
- 3. His People
- 4. His Providences



"Unlike the leaders of these and other religious movements, Jesus was no political figure; he had no connection with Herod or the Sanhedrin; he took no political action; his disciples were relatively uneducated. Yet he changed millions more than Alexander the Great, Mohammed, and Napoleon put together. It all happened because his...



...message and his physical resurrection transformed his early followers, who did not pick up the sword to defend themselves even during brutal persecutions, but rather they went about spreading his love and the need for his forgiveness by word and deed to all—regardless of race, sex, ethnicity, poverty, or wealth.

Alvin Schmidt, How Christianity Changed the World **Home** for Christmas



Through This One-On-One Journey, Christianity Has Impacted:

- 1. Human Rights
- 2. Education
- 3. Health Care
- 4. Societal Wellness and Infrastructure

