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Worship King Jesus with Your Whole Life

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Program Summary

What can the wise men teach me about worshiping Jesus? Mark Burns opens with Matthew 2:11 and introduces an Advent message Pastor Jason Epperson shared at CU Church in December 2024. Following Matthew 2, Pastor Jason contrasts the wise men's worship with Herod's desire for control and the indifference of religious leaders. He invites the listening friend to honor Jesus through work, family, service, and daily choices. Reflections on God's presence, Joseph's obedience, and the encouragement of friends during a personal crisis bring the message close to ordinary life. Mark closes with the invitation to worship King Jesus with my life as well as my songs.

Key Takeaways

- Worship reaches beyond singing into the way I work, serve, care for others, and make choices.
- The wise men came seeking Jesus and responded with joy, humility, and gifts.
- Herod's determination to protect his power challenges me to examine my own desire for control.
- Knowing religious information is different from responding personally to Jesus.
- Emmanuel means God is with us; isolation and difficulty do not place me beyond His care.
- A quiet act of presence can encourage someone who does not yet realize how alone they feel.
- Joseph's obedience reminds me to respond faithfully when God directs my next step.
- The greatest gift I can offer Jesus is a life yielded to Him.

Scripture References

- Matthew 2:11 — Mark's opening reading: the wise men bow down and worship Jesus.
- Matthew 2:1-23 — main teaching: the Magi, Herod, the journey to Egypt, and the return to Nazareth.
- Micah 5:2 — the Bethlehem prophecy quoted within Matthew 2:5-6.
- Daniel 2:1-49 — Daniel, Nebuchadnezzar's dream, and the wise men are discussed as background.
- Hosea 11:1 — the words about God calling His Son out of Egypt, cited in Matthew 2:15.
- Jeremiah 31:15 — Rachel's lament, quoted in Matthew 2:17-18.
- Exodus 1:15-22 — Pharaoh's oppression is recalled in comparison with Herod's violence.
- Philippians 2:5-8 — Christ's humility and servant-hearted coming are discussed near the close.
- John 14:6; John 10:10 — Jesus as the way, truth, and life, and His gift of life to the full are referenced.

- John 10:11; Psalm 23:1-3 — companion readings for the reflection on Jesus as the shepherd who gives His life and leads His people.

Quote of the Day

“Worship is not only singing songs, it’s the place you work, it’s doing laundry, it’s cleaning a house, it’s loving kids.” — Pastor Jason Epperson

Broadcast Notes

Mark introduces this as a message Pastor Jason Epperson shared at CU Church in December 2024. Personal stories and references such as “this week” belong to that original recording. The teaching follows Matthew 2 and includes historical background, imagined scenes, and pastoral applications. In discussing a possible military entourage with the Magi, the speaker explicitly says that Scripture does not give that detail; his qualification remains in the transcript. Other reconstructed details are likewise part of the sermon rather than additions to the biblical text. Scripture references distinguish passages discussed from companion readings. The complete spoken introduction, teaching, and closing are preserved, with obvious transcription errors corrected and unclear wording marked. The opening musical theme, “Christmas Time’s a-Comin’,” is identified without printing lyrics.

Practical Applications

- Offer one ordinary task to Jesus as an act of worship and do it with care.
- Ask where a desire to control the outcome is competing with trust in Christ.
- Read Matthew 2:1-12 and notice the difference between knowing about Jesus and seeking Him.
- Give Jesus an unhurried moment of prayer before beginning Christmas preparations.
- Check in on someone facing a difficult or lonely season and offer practical company.
- Remember a time God encouraged me through another person, and thank Him for that kindness.
- Take one obedient next step in response to a clear truth in Scripture.
- Choose a gift of time, service, or generosity that expresses love for Jesus and a neighbor.

Today's Challenge

Choose one ordinary part of your day and intentionally offer it to Jesus as worship. Then reach out to one person who could use the encouragement of your presence.

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, You are my King, and I want to worship You with more than songs. Help me offer You my work, my relationships, my decisions, and my plans. Release my grip on control and awaken my heart where I have become indifferent. When I feel alone, remind me that You are with me. Open my eyes to someone who needs encouragement, and help me show up with love. As I prepare to celebrate Your birth, teach me to seek You, trust You, and honor You with my whole life. In Your name I pray, amen.

About Today's Speaker

Pastor Jason Epperson

CU Church | Advent teaching from Matthew 2

Jason Epperson is introduced in this broadcast as a pastor of CU Church. This message, shared in December 2024, explores the visit of the wise men and invites listeners to worship Jesus through the whole of daily life. He combines biblical teaching, conversational illustrations, and personal experience to encourage faith and obedience.

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About Today's Host

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- Matthew 2 - the wise men, Egypt, and Nazareth
- Philippians 2:5-8 - the humility of Christ
- John 10:10-11 - life and the Good Shepherd

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[Opening theme: “Christmas Time’s a-Comin’.” Lyrics omitted.]

Reading from Matthew 2, verse 11, On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. That was Matthew 2, verse 11.

What can we learn from the wise men about worshipping Jesus? It's Monday, November 30th, 2026. Welcome to Mark and Friends. As we begin the Advent season, we're revisiting a message Pastor Jason Epperson shared at CU Church in December of 2024, and he'll challenge us to consider what it really means to worship King Jesus, not just at Christmas, but with our entire lives.

Here's Pastor Jason. During this Advent season, we're in Matthew chapter 2, we're going to talk about the visit of the wise men, the visit of the Magi, however you want to phrase that, as well as kind of Herod's reaction. So this word worship, we're going to talk about today.

When the wise men came to see Jesus, they worshipped. And really the word worship is not just defined by, when we are in this room singing songs, that is worship, it's true. But worship is also basically living life.

Worship is not only singing songs, it's having a conversation with someone over a coffee and a donut. Worship is not only singing songs, it's also going to the gym or playing a game. Worship is not only singing songs, it's studying for a test or getting a good grade or a bad grade on a test.

Worship is not only singing songs, it's the place you work, it's doing laundry, it's cleaning a house, it's loving kids. Like worship is life, y'all. It's like what you put your efforts towards is worship.

And so today when we ask the question, how do you worship Jesus, or how are you approaching Jesus in this season? We're not asking you, are you going to show up for the Christmas experience and sing carols? What we're asking is, are you living your life, are we living our life in a way that honors the King? In this time in history, it was chaos. What's happening in this time in history, and this matters because as we talk about the wise men, as we talk about Herod, it's good for us to understand, we don't know everything about the wise men or everything about Herod, but we do know in this time in Jerusalem, in this time in Israel, in this time in the Roman Empire, it was a very tumultuous time. You have the Caesar or the emperor, his name is Augustus, he's getting older.

Herod is the leader over this Jewish faction or this King of Judaism and all the Jewish people in Israel in this portion of time, and he's getting older. And Tiberius, if you know your Roman history, has just retired as the Roman general. And so there's this Eastern kingdom of Rome, where it's like Persia, it's like Iran, Iraq, modern day Iran, Iraq, that was a part of the Roman Empire, but the truth is they never really had a hold of it.

And so in this moment in history, the reason why there's so much tension in Israel is, it was the battleground. It was the furthest point east of Rome that they had complete control of, and the further you went east, you found desert, and then you found all this modern day Iran, Iraq, Persia, like this area that was constantly in friction, had three different wars with Rome in the previous 50 years. Why does that matter? Because it's going to matter here in a second as we read this passage.

So Herod is terrified someone's going to take his leadership. The Eastern kingdom of Persia, or whatever you want to call it in this time in history, doesn't want a Roman person in charge in Israel as well. And we start this passage and a king is born.

And this is what it says. Now, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem. But the reality is this, Herod was a really, really, really,

really bad dude, but really good at building infrastructure.

Really good at building buildings, but he was a ruthless king. Augustus had this quote of Herod, that it's better to be a pig than one of his sons. It's better to be... Now, if you're a Jewish king, pigs aren't your favorite thing.

It's better to be a pig than one of his sons. That's what Caesar thought of Herod. That's how ruthless this guy was.

And so that's who Herod is. And these wise men that come in, I'm going to keep reading, but we're going to talk about the wise men. There's a lot of things in history.

We don't know for certain, but we can see some things. When you study Eastern history and like Persian history, you learn about these wise men. See, these wise men go all throughout the Bible.

If you read in your Bible, whether it's Simon the sorcerer in the book of Acts, or it's in the book of Daniel, remember when Daniel is captured, they take his manhood, they bring him in and Nebuchadnezzar is trying to find out a dream and who does he call in order to learn about his dream? He calls the what? The wise men. He brings these wise men. It's the same group of people, the same group of men throughout history.

They were nomads. They went with different kingdoms and they were the wisest, the smartest, the most educated. They understood astrology.

They understood mysticism. They understood health care. Like they were the dudes.

You with me? And so they came with all these kingdoms. Well, when Daniel was called in before Nebuchadnezzar and they tell them these wise men, the Nebuchadnezzar says, Hey, I've got this dream. You need to interpret it.

And the wise men say what to him? You thought you're going to hear about Christmas today. You're going to hear about Daniel. Like, well, you need to tell us the dream.

So we can interpret. He's like, no, I ain't going to tell you no dream. You're just going to make something up then.

I want you to interpret my dream without hearing it. And they're like, well, we can't do that. He goes, okay, then I'm going to kill y'all.

And then Daniel's like, okay, I can't do this, but who can? My God can. So then Daniel comes before Nebuchadnezzar, talks to Nebuchadnezzar and he says, this is your dream. And he interprets his dream.

And when he does that, he saves the wise men from extinction. And then guess who was put in charge of the wise men in 605, in 605 BC, Daniel is put in charge of the wise men. And then he becomes the person that educates the wise men.

And it tells us in the book of Daniel. So in 605, right in 605 BC, this moment happens and Daniel's put in charge and Daniel then educates these wise men in the old Testament scriptures. And Daniel tells them about, there's going to be a coming king.

And when this king comes, he's going to save the world from its sins. And so in this moment, in 605 BC, before Jesus is born, guess what? All these wise men learn about this moment in time when the star will show that Jesus is coming. So fast forward 605 years, all of a sudden, boom, a star shows up.

And what did every single day these wise men get up and know, someday there's a king that's coming. See, these wise men weren't just magicians. They weren't just wise.

They weren't just smart. They just weren't in healthcare. They were also called king makers.

They would roll into town and they would anoint the new kings. The future kings of kingdoms would go to live with the wise men so they could be educated. These weren't just three Persian dudes with cool hats and robes rolling in on donkeys.

In fact, it's quite the opposite. We don't know how many wise men they were. Just like Tyler said, there could have been two, there could have been 10.

But we do know this, wise men traveled with an entourage because they needed to be protected. So in history, usually when wise men traveled, they would travel with 500 to a thousand soldiers, not on donkeys. They'd be mounted up on white Persian horses.

Yeah. Imagine those brothers rolling in to Jerusalem. Now this is going to make a little more sense to you.

Let's hear it. It says these words. Now, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, the wise men from the east came to Jerusalem saying, where is he who has been born the king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.

When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled. In the Greek here, this word troubled means he was so anxious he couldn't control himself. He was terrified.

Would he be terrified of three dudes on camels? Nope. He'd just kill them. That's why I believe the entourage was there.

I don't know. The Bible doesn't tell me for sure if it was, but that's what I really believe. Because 500 dudes on horses or a thousand dudes on horses with wise men, guess what Herod didn't want to have happen right now? This.

And he knows the kingmakers are rolling into town, so he's deeply troubled and so is all of Jerusalem. The whole city is scared because the nation's army is spread out all over Israel. It goes on and says this, and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

They told him in Bethlehem of Judea, for it is written by the prophet. This is in the book of Micah, and you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah are by no means least among the rulers of Judah. For from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people of Israel.

It says, Jesus will be a shepherd. You know, my favorite thing about a shepherd. One is that they protect their sheep.

They'll lay down their life for their sheep. Well, Jesus did that for us on a cross. The other thing I love about a shepherd is a shepherd leads people to green grass.

A shepherd leads people to what brings them life. See what Jesus did when he came wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. And we'll all sing the song silent night away in the manger.

Noel, Emmanuel, and they're all great songs. But what we're really celebrating at Christmas is that death was conquered, that sin was covered. And if you follow Jesus on this earth, and if you will actually worship him versus worship yourself, you're going to find wholeness in life like you've never experienced before.

There's some sweet, sweet, sweet, sweet, sweet, sweet wine. It's called Jesus. And it brings you wholeness and fulfillment.

And you can just take this grace and take this life and you can miss out on your whole life experiencing what it is to walk with him. And I'm just sorry. Or you can worship him.

And that's what we're celebrating. Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly. Why did he do it secretly? Because he didn't want all of Israel to know what he was doing.

He summoned them secretly and ascertained from them the star had appeared and he sent to them like, when did the star appear? Why would Herod want to know when Herod was ruthless, but he wasn't dumb. If he found out when the star appeared, he would know what when the child was born. So he finds out that it was a year and a half before, two years before, and he sent them to Bethlehem saying, go and search diligently for the child.

And when you have found him, bring me word that I too may come and worship him. Does Herod want to worship him? Come on now. But he wasn't talking to dumb dudes.

He was talking to wise dudes and they figured it out too. After listening to the king, they went on their way and behold, the star that they had seen when it rose, went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. What? Did you hear that? Man, if you look up in the sky, you recognize how big it is now and we don't even see a portion of it.

The galaxies and Mary felt all alone and Joseph felt all alone and they got this little child that's just learning to walk and his name is Jesus. He is up in the middle of the night, he cries, he gets hungry. The creator of the universe put himself in that position and at the same time, the creator of the universe, when the wise men show up, he's like, oh man, my girl, Mary, she needs some love.

Mary, I see you. Joseph, I see you. I see you in your moment of isolation.

I see you in your moment of pain. I see you in your moment of joy. I see your moment of like, whether it's bad or it's good, Emmanuel, God is with us.

And so who does he send? He doesn't send the shepherds this time. This time he sends the king makers. I just can't imagine how cool that was.

You know what else is cool? The fact that God moved a star. What? Like we say those things like, oh yeah, God moved a star. Like y'all, God moved the sun.

Y'all, I know we got problems. I know we got hard decisions, but the God of all creation was willing to move the star to encourage a mom and a dad who couldn't even talk about who their son was. Think about the mind of Mary.

She knew who Herod was. She just didn't walk around with a baby crown on his head. She had to hide who he was from everyone.

Everyone still was talking about that ain't Joseph's baby. Why were they in Bethlehem versus Nazareth? Because everyone in Nazareth knew it wasn't Joseph's baby. And as she's all alone, as she's isolated, as Joseph is all alone, father in heaven moves the star to celebrate his son.

Verse nine, after listening to the king, they went on their way and behold the star that they had seen had went before them until it came to rest over the child. Verse 10, when they saw that the star they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. Like the wise men are like, God is born.

We've been waiting for this for over 600 years. A Jewish nation had been waiting for this for thousands of years and creation had been waiting for this since sin came into the picture. That Emmanuel, God with us.

This is not just about jingle bells y'all. This is the king of the universe came wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly great joy.

In verse 11, and going into the house, they saw the child with Mary, his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Man, just think how encouraging it was for Mary to see, like, can you imagine being in a small town of Bethlehem? It's like being in St. Joe or Fisher or Tolono or Philo or Mahomet. You're not that big.

Oh, did I say that out loud? My bad, my bad. But the reality is he'd be like a thousand brothers on horses rolling in with swords with some wise men. I promise you everyone's going to be like, oh snap, what's going on? And they don't stop at the mayor's house.

They don't stop at the cop's house. They don't stop at the doctor's house. They don't stop at the lawyer's house.

They roll up on Mary and Joseph's apartment over a garage and they ain't even got a room in the house. It's just one room with a toilet and they stop and a world around them is like, what? And Mary knows he's Caesar and Joseph knows he's Caesar. [Wording unclear in supplied transcript.] Why does God always restore our identity in a moment? Because the next moment might be hard and we've got to be ready for it.

Next moment's about to get hard. Then opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh and being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed on their own. So they gave him gold, frankincense and myrrh and one second, Joseph's like, we out of the garage.

Mama, getting a brand new bed. Like it's going to be good. We've got gold, frankincense, like, yeah, we can even go back to Nazareth.

I can buy the town of Nazareth. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way. That's what happens to the wise men.

Dreams. We're going to hear about them in a second again. You ever been alone? This week, I'm not a person that's alone.

Y'all, I love you. You love me. I don't feel alone.

I got a wife. I got four kids. I don't feel alone ever in my house.

I've got a university, a DIA, people that I love that love, like, I don't feel alone. This last week on Wednesday, I had just left a shopping experience with a bunch of teenage single moms and a football team. We're walking around doing it.

I'm on, I'm on 10, y'all. I'm coming home. I'm excited.

I'm singing Christmas songs. We hang out. We're playing with the kids.

We have this new little dog. Now he's not little anymore. He's getting big.

And this dog kept going out on the porch and he kept barking and I kept bringing him in the house. I was like, why are you barking, Red? By the way, our last dog's name was Blue. This name is Red.

We're single syllable people. We're simple folk. And so Red comes in.

There's also a country song about a dog named Red I've heard. But anyway, Red comes in and he's like, won't leave the door. He's laying by the door.

This dog is like 10 weeks old. So I don't know what's going on. I don't know if he's got an upset stomach.

So I'm like letting him out. He goes outside. He barks.

He goes outside. Finally, he brings him in. Well, I realized at 10 o'clock at night why the dog was barking.

Now I walked outside. I looked. I just thought there was an animal outside.

Well, at 10 o'clock at night, my wife says to me as we're putting the kids to bed, Jason, the barn's on fire. So I put on my shoes without socks, which was a mistake. Didn't put a coat on.

I ran outside. And me and Lacey start chucking buckets. And Abe and Bo are chucking buckets.

And Kate and Zeke are in the house. We realize that we need to call the fire department. We call the fire department.

The fire department comes on. And then I realized all of you that listen to Scanners, I know who you are because you all texted. Jason, are you OK? I didn't even know people still listen to Scanners.

Folks do. Like you do. Like I know who you are now.

Well, then we're doing this and we're watching the firemen do all this thing. And I'm standing outside. I'm watching this piece of property that I loved.

My pet pigs are in. And the pet pigs got out. I'm thinking all the chickens are gone.

And then they put the fire out. And all of a sudden, there's two people from the church who just come rolling up just saying, Jason, are you OK? And I was like, yeah, I'm OK. And here's the deal is when I saw him standing next to me with a headlamp on, I didn't know I felt alone until he was there.

And I just thought that Jesus, I thought, man, I didn't know I needed that guy right there. But you did. You're not alone.

Then we wrestled two pigs. That's for another sermon. We got six hours.

I mean, an hour and a half of I can't even tell you the story someday, someday. Oh, yes. You'll hear the story.

It goes on and says this. Now when they departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. Once again, how does Joseph connect to God? If Joseph was here talking about how he connected to God, he would say, I connect to God through what? Dreams.

You think, well, God doesn't work that way now. Almost all of my Muslim friends who found Jesus in the underground church. When I go to Djibouti, when I go to the Middle East, when I go to Arab Africa, when I go to those places and I talk with my brothers and sisters in Christ, almost all of them have found Jesus through a dream.

Now why do they experience dreams and we don't? I don't know. Maybe because they're constantly seeking truth and we're seeking comfort. I don't know.

They wake up every single day and they're seeking truth because they know what they're doing ain't true. He goes on and says this, rise, take the child and his mother and flee to Egypt and you will remain there until I tell you. For Herod is about to search for the child to destroy him.

And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. And he remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet out of Egypt, I will call my son.

Isn't it crazy how hundreds and hundreds of years ago, there's prophecy that he'll be from Nazareth. He'll come out of Egypt and all of us would have been like, what? But this is why. It goes on and says this, then

Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men became furious and he sent and killed the male children in Bethlehem and all the region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men.

And in the book of Exodus, what happens when Pharaoh finds out there could be a deliverer coming and he's got to get rid of a nation of Israel. He kills all the male children under the age of two. There's a force in this world that's called evil and it's real and evil doesn't want the world to see deliverers.

The enemy doesn't want you to step into who you are created to be. The enemy doesn't want you to start worshiping the Lord in your workplace. He doesn't want you worshiping the Lord as you work in your house.

He doesn't want you worshiping the Lord as an athlete. He doesn't want you worshiping the Lord in your music. He doesn't want you worshiping the Lord in your lifestyle.

The enemy wants you to think this is all about singing songs on Sunday, having a moment that you take on his grace and you have life. That's what the enemy wants because he knows you already know that, but the enemy does not want you. Listen to me.

The enemy does not want you to drink the wine that's nice because once you start living out the gospel, deliver because the people around you just, they see him. [Wording unclear in supplied transcript.] It says this out of the book of Jeremiah, a voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and loud lamentation.

Rachel's weeping for her children. She refused to be comforted because they are no more. In verse 19 it says, this is the end of the chapter, but when Herod died, behold, an angel Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt.

Tyler told you about what happened when Herod died. He killed a bunch of faithful Jewish people. So the world around him would mourn.

Why would Herod do it? Because in this world, people, when they have absolute power, they get corrupted and they'll do anything to hold onto it. Y'all, let's not be deceived by people with power. People with power want to get their power from people.

And as soon as we can recognize to trust what is true to trust Jesus, he's the way, the truth, and the life, and not to trust any system in this world that points us to someone in specific. There's only one King and his name is Jesus. The rest of us, y'all, we're just puppets.

The greatest product in this century is you and me. And they're producing us by us staring at a phone for hours and hours a day, believing what's on it. Sorry, I'm preaching now, but I just think sometimes we need to hear it.

Mm-hmm, I got to calm down. Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel for those who had sought the child's life are dead. And when he rose and took the child and his mother and went in land of Israel, but when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in his place and the father Herod, he was afraid to go there and being warned in a what? A dream.

He withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth. So that what was spoken of the prophet might be fulfilled, that he would be called a Nazarene.

Do you know the one place you didn't want to grow up as a Jewish boy? Nazareth. It was like the place that when you said, where are y'all from? Nazareth. Like as soon as Jesus started to talk, you have an accent.

He just said y'all. He just said cement. He just said power wash.

Yeah, you know who you're making fun of. But here's the deal. Like, that's what he had done.

Why would God allow his son to grow up in a place like that? The same reason Philippians 2, it tells us that he came to be a servant. He came to be a sacrifice. He came to be a curse.

Because with Jesus, he draws all people to him. Jesus didn't come for one group of people. He came for all the people.

So the question is today, yes, he came to save you from your sins. Yes, he came to conquer death. Check, check.

But he also came to give you life and life at its fullest. So the question for us is who we worship. We be like Herod and try to hold onto the power that we have and squash anything that takes our power.

Basically, what we have, remember in the book of Exodus, we have the mindset of a slaver who just objectifies people, who looks at people for what they can get from them versus what they can give to them. Or will we have the mindset of maybe the scribes and the Pharisees and the leaders in this time who were just indifferent to this birth of Jesus because they were just looking who would benefit them more, Herod or this new king? Or we have the mindset of the wise men who recognized they had a lot but didn't have what they need because what they needed was Jesus. And when they came to him, they laid it down.

This Christmas season, no matter what situation you're in, let's worship the king. Oh, listening friend, let's have the mindset of those wise men. They recognized that what they needed most was Jesus.

And when they found him, they worshiped him. So this Advent season, let's worship King Jesus, not only with our songs, but with our lives. You've been hearing Pastor Jason Epperson of CU Church.

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