

SOLVING THE MYSTERIES OF CHRISTMAS

Text: Matthew 2:1-12 Dec 20, 2015

INTRODUCTION

- A)** Popular culture struggles to answer questions about the true meaning of Christmas.
- B)** People also struggle to explain many mysteries that appear in the Biblical accounts of the Christmas story.
- C)** We Are Going To Attempt To Solve Four Mysteries About Christmas In Matthew 2:1-12.

I. THE MYSTERY OF THE MAGI (VV.1-2)

- A)** What we don't know.
- B)** What we do know.

II. THE MYSTERY OF UNBELIEF (VV. 3-8)

- A)** Of Herod.
- B)** Of Jewish leadership.
- C)** Of Jewish people.

III. THE MYSTERY OF THE STAR (VV. 9-10)

- A)** Astronomical.
- B)** Or miraculous.

IV. THE MYSTERY OF GENTILES WORSHIPPING A JEWISH BABY (VV. 11-12)

- A)** Royal honor to the king of the Jews.
- B)** God's Amazing Providence

CONCLUSION

- A)** Why are you here?
- B)** What did you bring?