



THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

Christmas 2017

Christmas was a big production



SO WHAT'S UP--- WITH THIS PARTICULAR STAR?

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After video...



- ▶ *“O Star of wonder, Star of night, Star with royal beauty bright,*
- ▶ *Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect Light.”*

THE MAGI OR WISE MEN

MATTHEW 2

- ▶ ¹ After 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.”
- ▶ ⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. ⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.”
- ▶ ⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen **when it rose** went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.



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MATTHEW 2...

It signified a birth...

- It signified a birth.
- It signified kingship.
- It had a connection with the Jewish nation.
- It appeared at a precise time.
- Herod didn't know when it appeared.
- It lingered for a period of time.
- It was ahead of the Magi as they went south from Jerusalem to Bethlehem.
- It stopped over Bethlehem.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM BIBLICAL FACTS...

Meteor?

Comet?

Nova?

WHAT WAS THIS STAR?

Actually there was something

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*The alignment of the King's Planet (**Jupiter**) and the King's Star (**Regulus**) causing a royal dance...*

THE HOPE FOUND IN THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM...

- 1) The wise men could only see the light from His Star...
- 2) The planets and stars were ordained to shine when they did...
- 3) The Star moved, leading the wise men continually closer to Christ...
- 4) The Star was visible to the naked eye...
- 5) The Star has a lasting legacy...



**DON'T SHINE SO THAT
OTHERS CAN SEE
YOU... SHINE SO THAT
THROUGH YOU,
OTHERS CAN SEE HIM!!!**

--C.S. Lewis

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