

**Worship Beneath The Star**  
**Matthew 2:7-12**  
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- ⇒ Worship is a verb. Meaning, there is always action involved in worship, no matter what worship looks like or is defined as.
- ⇒ Following the Star was an act of worship because the star that guided the magi gave glory to God.

Object	Time for the Light to Reach Us
The Moon	1 1/3 sec
The Sun	8 minutes
Jupiter	35 to 52 minutes
Pluto	5 1/2 hours (on average)
Alpha Centauri (nearest star system)	4.3 years
Sirius (brightest star in our sky)	9 years
Betelgeuse (bright star)	430 years
Orion Nebula	1500 years
Andromeda Galaxy	2.5 million years

- ⇒ Beneath the star there was worship of Jesus Christ.
- ⇒ Beneath the star on our tree there should be worship of Jesus Christ.

**Small Group Discussion Questions**

- a. Is there a unique way you and your family worship on Christmas day?
- b. What is an act of love/mercy that God has done for you that brings you to humbly and truly worship him?
- c. Does the star in the story give God more glory if it's a real star?
- d. If Jesus appeared at your house on Christmas unexpectedly, what gift (possession) would you give to him?
- e. Do you plan on having a Jesus stocking (or something else) in your Christmas celebration?