

Historic White Marsh Church

December 31, 2023

New Year's Eve

Prelude Marjorie Lampkin - Pianist

Hymn ~ 277 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn ~ 262 Away in a Manger

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-23

Prayer

Hymn ~ 288 We Three Kings

Sermon

Hymn ~ 292 Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

Benediction & Postlude

Tithes & Offerings Please use the wooden offering box or mail your offering to:
PO Box 24, Lancaster, VA 22503. Thank you!

Membership: If you are interested in becoming a member of Historic White Marsh Church, please talk to Rev. Wes Hall.

Historic White Marsh Church is an independent, Bible believing, teaching, and Christ-loving Bible Church. We are made up of Christians from diverse backgrounds, who are going to the same place (heaven) because of Jesus Christ our Savior.

January 9 Board Meeting – Tuesday at 1:00 PM

January 14 **Tenth Anniversary Celebration** of Historic White Marsh Church
Alabaster Grace will minister to us as well as others
There will be a **meal** following the worship service

January 20 **Removal of Christmas** decorations - Saturday 10:00 AM

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Sunday Worship: 11:00 AM ~ Thursday Bible Study: 6:00 PM

Contrasts between King Herod and KING JESUS

Matthew 2:1-23

Herod was self-centered and wanted to stay king at all costs.
JESUS CAME FOR YOUR BENEFIT.

Herod was troubled by Christ's coming. V. 3
JESUS CAME TO RELIEVE YOUR TROUBLED HEART.

For those without faith, news about Jesus may be troubling.
The Good News about Jesus is received as good news by those who accept it by faith. The wise men rejoiced at the arrival of Christ.

Herod acted in rebellion against God.
JESUS DID THE WILL OF THE FATHER.

Jesus Christ gave His life that rebels could become God's children.
There is a place in Heaven for the "Herods" of this world who turn from their rebellion and turn to Jesus for forgiveness and salvation. The grace of God is so great that repentant "Herods" and sinners like you can go to heaven.

Herod was deceitful. He lied to the wise men. **V. 7, 8**
JESUS IS THE TRUTH.

Herod was full of anger and hate. V. 16
JESUS IS FULL OF LOVE FOR YOU.

Herod brought death. V. 13-18
JESUS BROUGHT ETERNAL LIFE.

Herod was a murderer. In his attempt to kill Jesus, he slaughtered a great number of boy babies and small boys.

Herod died without God. V. 19-20
JESUS DIED THAT YOU MIGHT BE WITH HIM FOREVER.

Study Questions on Matthew 2 (1/4/24 Bible Study)

1. What contrast do you see between King Jesus and King Herod?
2. What were contrasts between the wise men and Herod?
3. How are you different from King Herod?
4. Why did the wise men seek Christ? How did God lead them?
5. What do you have in common with the wise men?
6. How difficult was it for the wise men to find Christ? What was their great reward? What did they do when they found the Christ child?
7. Why was it a waste of time for Herod to fight against God and His will?
8. What do you learn about God and man from this Scripture?
9. In what ways would you like to be more like the wise men?