

## The Reason for the Season

Amidst all the shopping, gift giving, lights, Christmas trees and tinsel, there is a deeper reason for the season. We are of course talking about the birth of our precious savior. It is heralded as the most significant birth to happen in mankind's history yet He was born in such humble circumstances. Jesus was the hope of the world. He was the man that would set the captive free and die for all our sins, yet He was born in a manger. Mary and Joseph could not even find an inexpensive hotel room to deliver this baby. It must have seemed rather odd to them that mankind's salvation would come into the world in this way. There were no parades or fireworks. It probably did not make



the headlines, but it was a prophecy that had to be fulfilled no matter the circumstances. Finally we had our savior.

Although there was not much public fanfare, Jesus was visited by three kings from the east, three wise men. They traveled very far to see Him and present

to Him gifts that were of great value. **Matthew 2:11 "They came into the house and saw the young child with Mary, his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Opening their treasures, they offered to him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh." (WEB).** They gave to Him these very precious gifts, and they recognized that He was their savior. They knew that He was the hope of the world. As we celebrate the season, let's remember that this incredible day marked the birth of the Savior, your savior, my savior, the savior of the human race. Let us remember that He is the hope for all mankind.

I would encourage you to read the entire Christmas story this season with your family and talk about what it means to you.

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