Matthew 2:1-23. The Magi Visit the Messiah.

1After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem 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." (Matthew 2:1-2)

When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. (Matthew 2:3)

Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled Matthew 2:7. chief priests: The Greek term is rendered "high priest" when it is singular and refers to the chief representative of the people before God. Here the plural refers to principal men of the priesthood, including former high priests and, possibly, the heads of the 24 priestly divisions. scribes: This term originally referred to copyists of the Scriptures, but during Jesus' time, it referred to those who were experts in the Law and teachers of it. the Christ: Here the title "Christ" is preceded by the definite article in Greek, evidently as a way of emphasizing Jesus' office as the Messiah.

The gospel of Matthew is a wellspring of instruction on daily Christian living. Matthew writes to make disciples, forming the minds, hearts, and hands of believers in light of the new covenant. In Matthew 14-28, Jesus continues to train his disciples before his return to the public eye, final teachings, crucifixion, and resurrection. Designed for groups and individuals, this Reformed Expository Bible Study gives users the resources they need to delve into God's Word and understand and apply it for themselves, leading to biblical transformation. He is the founder and president of The Center for Faith and Work, St. Louis; a member of the Council of The Gospel Coalition; and a regular blogger. He was also a lead pastor for fifteen years. More by Daniel M. Doriani.