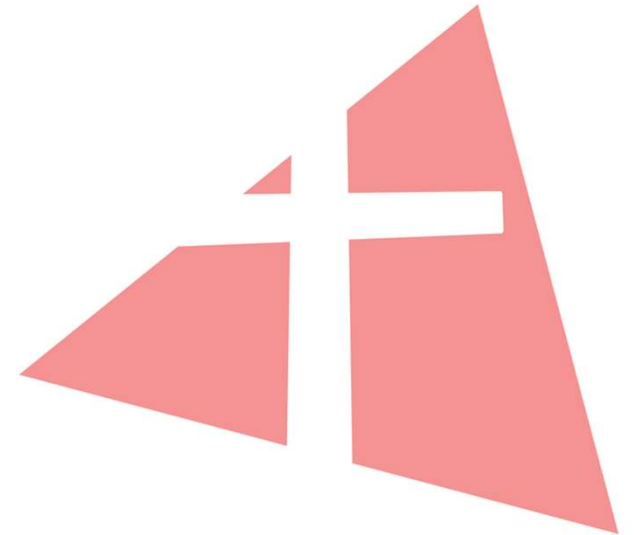


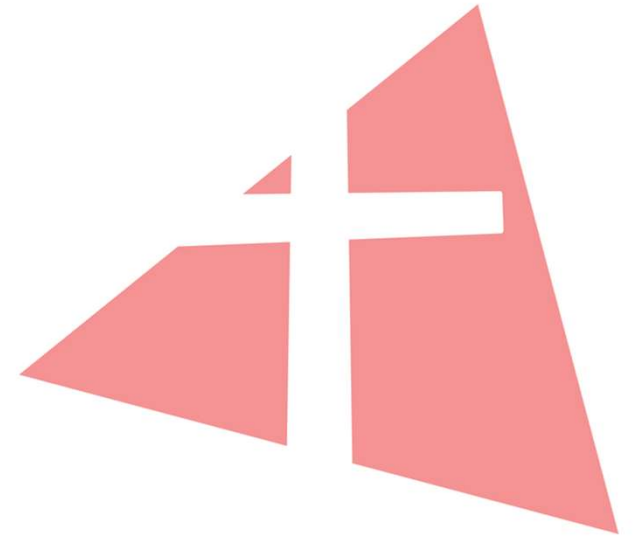
JESUS IS COMING: AND NOW?

December 22nd 2019



BABY JESUS

- Many people were confronted with Jesus as a baby
- People responded in many different ways



ZACHARIAS

Luke 1:18 And Zachariah said unto the angel, How shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well advanced in years.



MARY

Luke 1:34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

Luke 1:38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to your word. And the angel departed from her.



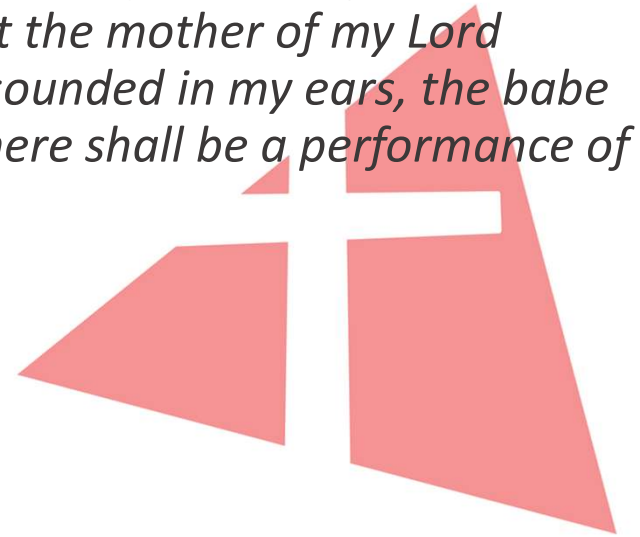
JOSEPH

Matthew 1:24-25 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.



ELIZABETH

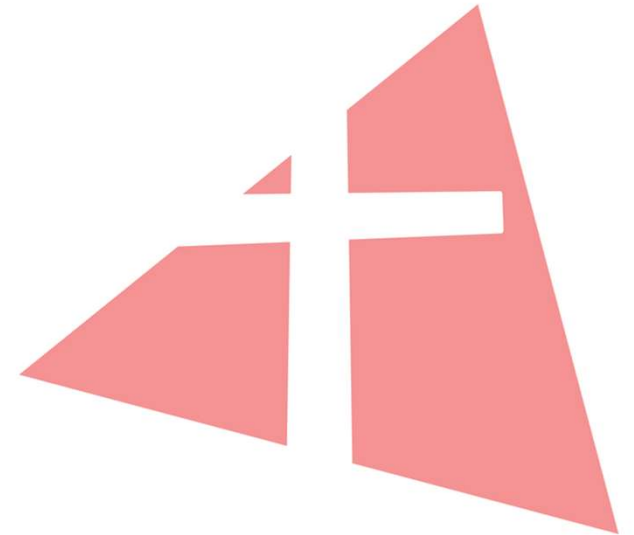
Luke 1:42-45 And she spoke out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why is this granted me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For, lo, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.



SHEPHERDS

Luke 2:15-16 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

- **Going**
- **Praising**



SIMEON

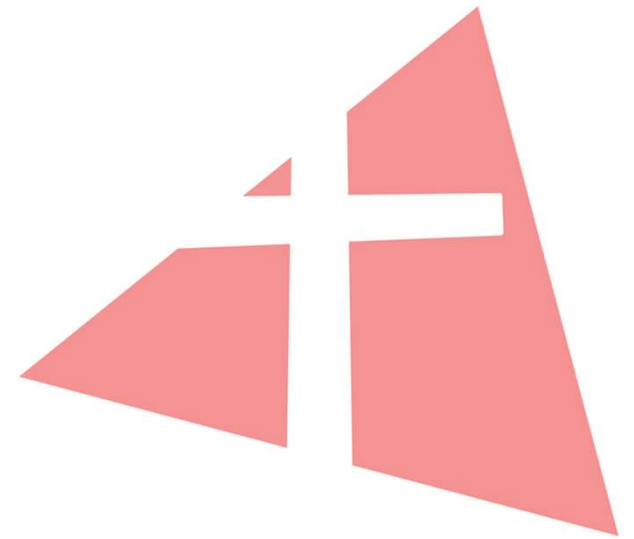
Luke 2:25-32 And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the law, Then he took him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now let your servant depart in peace, according to your word: For my eyes have seen your salvation, Which you have prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.

- **Waiting**
- **Receiving peace**
- **Praising**



ANNA

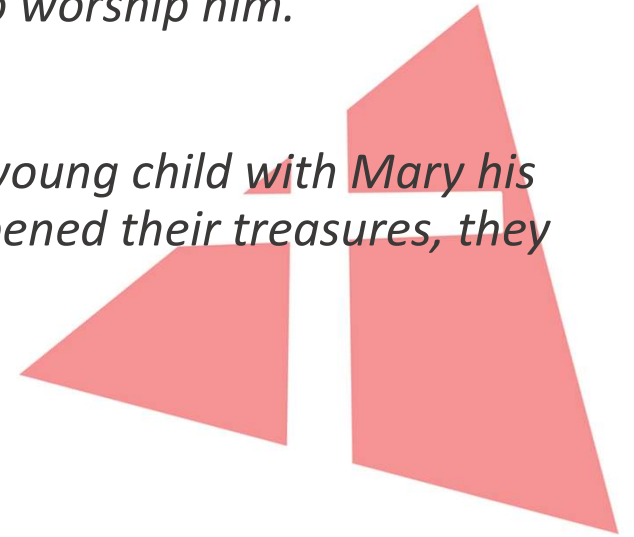
- Praying
- Thanksgiving
- Sharing



THE WISE MEN

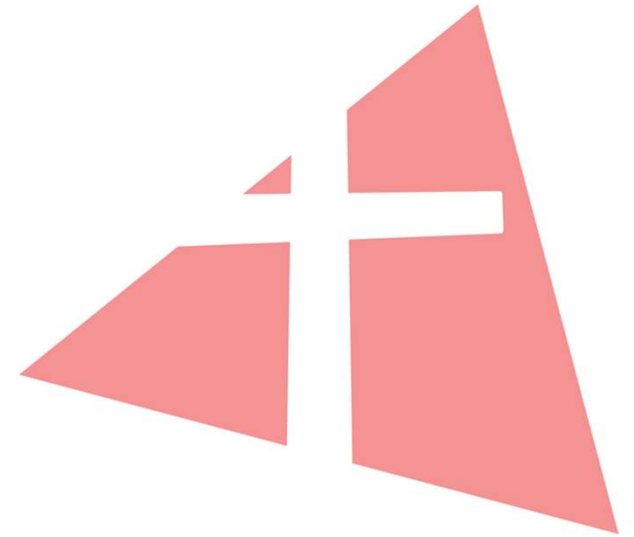
Matthew 2:1-2 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

Matthew 2:11 And when they came into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshiped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.



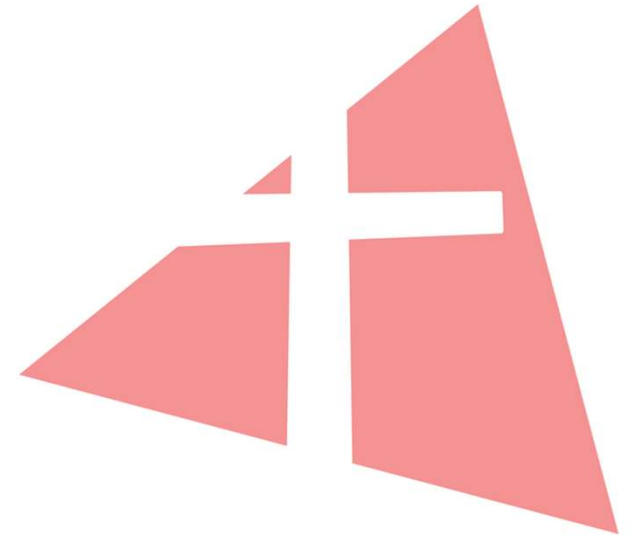
KING HEROD

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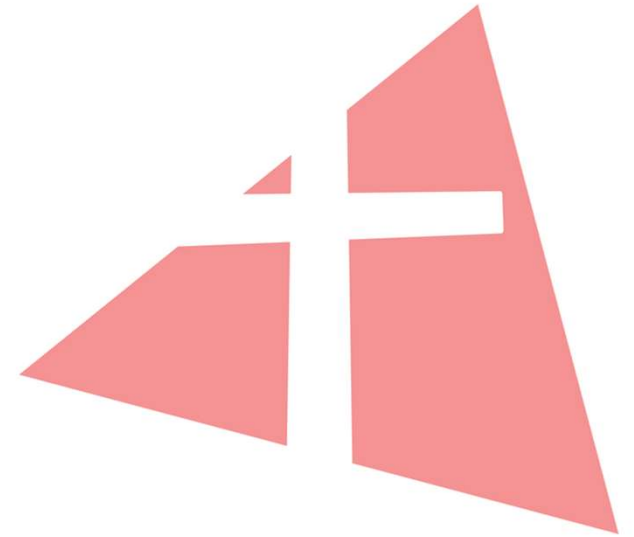
JESUS' ARRIVAL

- Jesus' arrival already caused very strong reactions



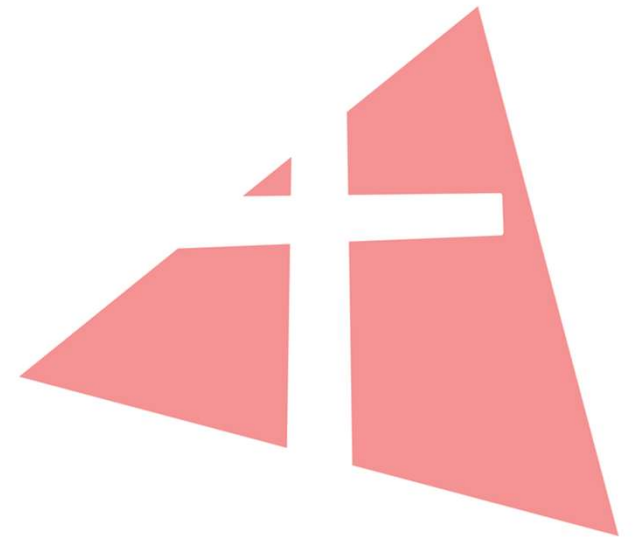
WHY DOES IT MATTER?

- Jesus' 2nd coming will be different



OUR HEARTS

- Each of these people described is somewhere in our hearts



RESPONDING TO JESUS

- Let's find these people in our hearts

