

Mr. Grinch

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"After 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 in the east and have come to worship him.'"

Matthew 2:1-2 (NIV)

THREE RESPONSES TO JESUS

1. There are those who _____

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

"He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God..." **John 1:10-12 (NIV)**

Truth: If Jesus wasn't the _____

_____, no one would be _____

2. There are those who _____

"[Herod] asked them where the Christ was to be born. 'In Bethlehem in Judea,' they replied, 'for this is what the prophet has written.' But

you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel."

Matthew 2:4b-6 (NIV)

"All of us used to live that way, following the passionate desires and inclinations of our sinful nature. By our very nature we were subject to God's anger, just like everyone else. But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!)"

Ephesians 2:3-5 (NLT)

3. There are those who _____

"After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh." **Matthew 2:9-11 (NIV)**

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"At this I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, 'Do not do it! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God!'"

Revelation 19:10 (NIV)