

JOY

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 *Selah*—MATTHEW 2:10

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

The joy found in this moment of history is palpable. Those who saw the star, which led them towards the King, born to deliver His people, discovered a world turned upside down.

This new King would not use His power to diminish or control. He would bring deliverance to His people. He fed the hungry rather than turning them away. He healed the sick instead of ignoring them. He welcomed children and placed value upon their lives.

This is the act of justice that rewrote the story of leadership and pointed towards a new way. This is worth celebrating with exceeding joy!



What might it look like for you to rule with compassion and love?



Dear God

As we look around our world, we still see fear and violence being used to rule and control people. We thank you, O God, that our King is the great King Jesus whose love and compassion is the most powerful sceptre of all. Amen.