



When Shepherds arrived Jesus was a “babe wrapped in Swaddling Cloths”. Luke 2:12



When Wise men arrived Jesus was a “young child”

Matt 2:8,9,11

God

GOD BLESS, AS WE CELEBRATE
THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST...



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Shepherds came to the Manger

1. **Luke 2:7** And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a **manger**; because there was no room for them in the inn. **Luke 2:6-8 (in Context)** **Luke 2 (Whole Chapter)** **Other Translations**
2. **Luke 2:12** And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a **manger**. **Luke 2:11-13 (in Context)** **Luke 2 (Whole Chapter)** **Other Translations**

Luke 2:16 And they (the shepherds) came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a **manger**. **Luke 2:15-17 (in Context)** **Luke 2 (Whole Chapter)** **Other Translations**

WISE MEN and their journey

Wise Men, (were Babylon Astrologers) who learned of Christ's birth by reading the stars.

Matthew 2:6-8

King James Version (KJV)

6 And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. **7** Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

16 Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently inquired of the wise men.

The distance from Babylon to Jerusalem is 1678.2 miles. Arabian baggage **camels** are heavier build and capable of carrying a 200 kg load up to **40 miles per day**.

This amounts to a 4-6 month journey by camel, carrying their gifts of gold, and frankincense and myrrh. A number of Solder's would have been needed through the desert with Gold & other such valuables,. Let me assure you that they did not travel alone. That would not have been **Wise**.



Jesus Christ is the reason for the Season



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Wishing you much joy and happiness..