

## **Major Event: Birth of the King**

### **Lesson 2: The Arrival of the King**

**Scriptures: Matt. 1:18- 2:12; Luke 2:1-32**

#### **Central text(s): Luke 2:10-12**

But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” (NASB).

#### **Suggested Subjects for Teacher to Cover:**

The Angel’s announcement of Christ’s birth to shepherds.

The King of Israel was born in meager conditions, announced to lowly shepherds by a regal Angel.

The statement of the purpose of this child- He was “good news” (2:10), “Savior” and “Lord” (2:11) a “Ruler” to “Shepherd” the people (Matt. 2:6).

The sign to the shepherds - “a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” (Luke 2:12).  
[Adapted from Constable’s Notes on Luke]

#### **Suggested attributes for teacher to cover:**

**Of God:** Veracity, Omnipotence, Love

**Of Man:** The image of God. God sent His Son to Redeem and Reconcile humanity not because we deserved it by our merit but because of His image. He made humanity unique among creation, to have eternal fellowship with Him.

**Suggested Reading for Parents and Child at Home:** Matt. 1:18- 2:12; Luke 2:1-32

**Notes:** Emphasize the contrasts. Luke especially draws on these contrasts to demonstrate God’s love and concern for the outcast, the poor, the lowly. The King of Kings is born in a manger, announced to lowly shepherds by a glorious Angel, and the new born baby is wrapped as a corpse. Draw on the passages (covered in the previous lesson) Matthew emphasizes to prove that Christ’s birth was the fulfillment of God’s promises (Isa. 7:14; Micah 5:2)