

Through Desirous Gentiles

(vv. 1 - 2)

Luke 2:21 – circumcised on (day 8)

**Luke 2:22 – presented to the Lord
(on day 40)**

Macrobius, “Saturnalia”

“...when Augustus heard, that among the children under two years of age, whom Herod king of the Jews ordered to be slain in Syria, that his son was also killed, said, it was better to be Herod's hog than his son.”

**“A caste of educated men
specializing in astronomy,
astrology and natural science.”**

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*“Then the soothsayer priests, **the sorcerers,** the Chaldeans, and the diviners came in and I related the dream to them, but they could not make its interpretation known to me.”*

Daniel 4:7

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Through an Anxious Leader

(vv. 3 - 4)



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Through “Religious” Leaders

(vv. 5 - 6)

“But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you One will come forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His times of coming forth are from long ago, from the days of eternity.”

Micah 5:2

Through “Religious” Leaders

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Through a Devious Leader

(vv. 7 - 8)

*“Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them **diligently** what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search **diligently** for the young child...”*

Matthew 2:7-8 (KJV)

**Whether recognized or not, God
sovereignly ensured early proclamation
of the Messiah. Better to work with
Him, than against Him!**

