

From sermon on Dec. 4th to 5th

## **Joy to the World Let Every Heart Prepare Him Room**

**Text:** Matt. 2:1-12

**Purpose:** The promised arrival of Jesus was an expectation that gave believers joy. When He arrived that joy was experienced and complete. This month we will use the song "Joy to the World" to talk about Jesus' birth and our joy.

**Opening Question:** *What is your favorite Christmas tradition?*

**Read and Discuss:** Matt. 2:1-12

1. *Who do you think the Magi were? Why did they come to worship Jesus? What do you think they were hoping to receive?*
2. *Why do you think Herod was "disturbed" about Jesus being born?*
3. *What heart attitudes can get in the way of our worship to God?*
4. *The Magi were overjoyed when they saw Jesus. What is joy? How has Jesus' life given you joy?*
5. *A large part of worship is giving. How and with whom do you plan on giving this Christmas?*