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Those Who Missed Christmas: The King Who Missed Christmas
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Matthew 2:1–2 (NKJV): Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.”

Matthew 2:3 (NKJV): When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

Matthew 2:6 (NKJV): “But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not the least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you shall come a Ruler who will shepherd My people Israel.”

Matthew 2:7–8 (NKJV): Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found Him, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also.”

Matthew 6:24 (NKJV): “No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other...”

Genesis 1:28 (NKJV): Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Luke 19:12–13 (NIV): He said: “A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. ‘Put this money to work,’ he said, ‘until I come back.’”

John 6:38 (NKJV): “For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.”

Beautiful Surrender

Matthew 16:24 (NKJV): Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me."

Matthew 19:29 (NKJV): "And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life."

Genesis 22:15–18 (NKJV): Then the Angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time out of heaven, and said: "By Myself I have sworn, says the LORD, because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son—blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies. In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

Luke 22:42 (NKJV): ... saying, "Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done."

Three Things That Hinder Our Decision to Surrender Fully to God

1. Fear!

Matthew 21:44 (NKJV): "And whoever falls on this stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder."

2. Control!

Philippians 4:6–7 (NKJV): Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Matthew 11:28–30 (NKJV): "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

3. Unbelief!

Deuteronomy 23:7 (NKJV): "You shall not abhor an Edomite, for he is your brother..."

Two Questions to Ask God About Surrender

- 1. Where am I building my kingdom instead of Yours?**
- 2. What are You asking me to surrender at Your feet?**