

SEARCHING
Radio Christmas – Part 1
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1. EVERYONE IS SEARCHING FOR SOMETHING.

“After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him.” Matthew 2:1-2

The Magi:

“There is a man in your kingdom who has the spirit of the holy gods in him. In the time of your father he was found to have insight and intelligence and wisdom like that of the gods. King Nebuchadnezzar your father – your father the king, I say – appointed him chief of the magicians, enchanters, astrologers and diviners.” Daniel 5:11

What are you searching for this Christmas?

2. IN EVERY SEARCH, THERE IS ALWAYS OPPOSITION.

“When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him ... Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “God and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.” Matthew 2:7,8

“And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route ... When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi.” Matthew 2:12,16

What battles are you facing this Christmas?

3. I WILL EVENTUALLY FIND WHAT I’M SEARCHING FOR.

“After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him.” Matthew 2:9-10a

“But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul.” Deuteronomy 4:29

Why not give Jesus a try this Christmas?

Next Steps:

Attend each week of the Radio Christmas series.

Commit to following Jesus as my Savior.

Prayerfully consider making a gift to the annual Special Christmas Offering and/or donate a new or nearly new coat, hat or gloves for the needy.