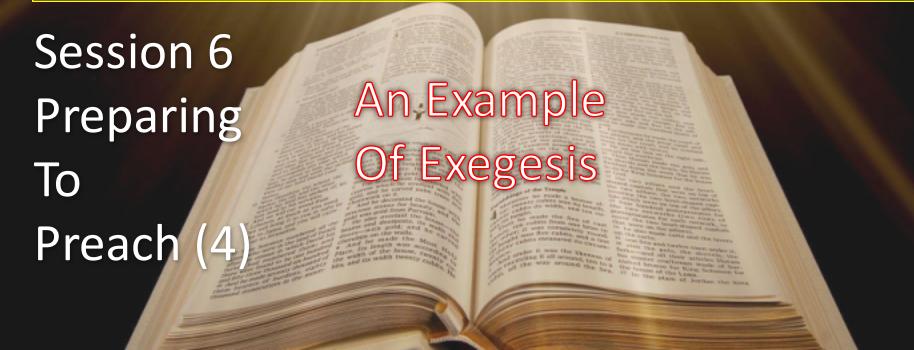
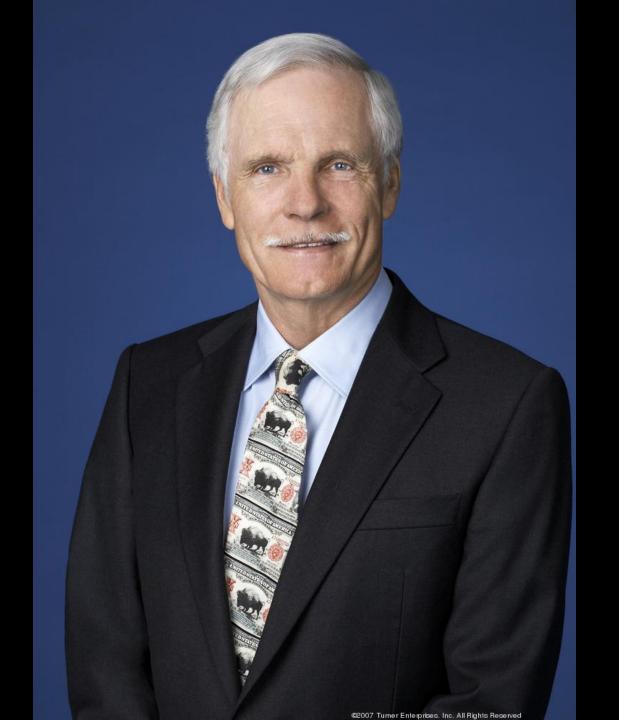
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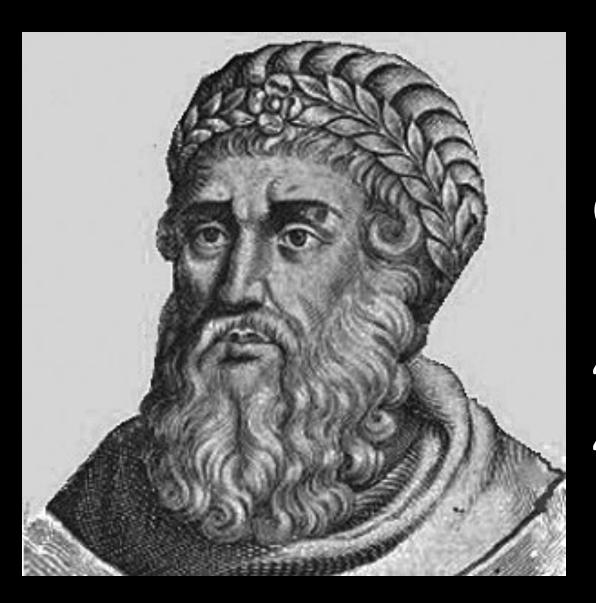


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Matthew 2:1-12

Historical Considerations

King Herod vs. 1



Herod the Great

40 BCE to 4 BCE

A Builder Paranoid Killed his wife Killed his son "I would rather be Herod's pig than his son." - Caesar Augustus

Hippodrome Plan



The Magi



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- We Three Kings?

 3 gifts
- Gaspar, Melchior, Balthasar
- 20, 40, 60
- Thomas?

-Most likely Persian -614 CE

-Pagan

"And gentiles shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising."
Isaiah 60:3
John 12:21 "Now is the time...

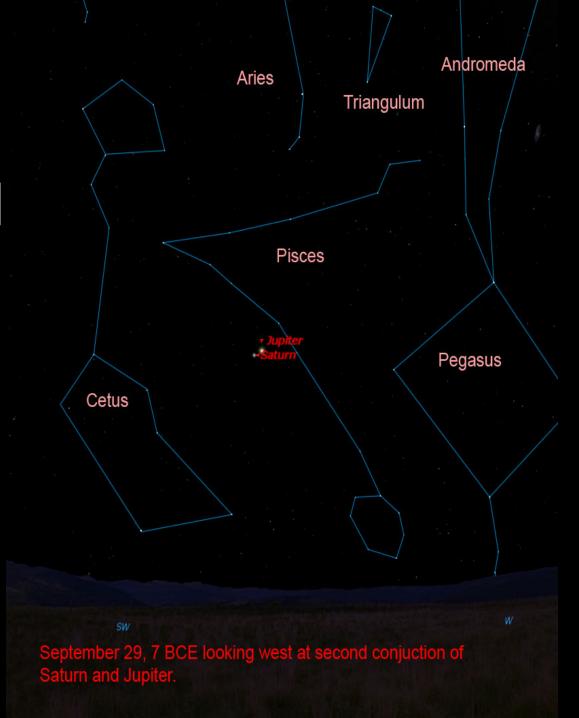
The Star?

A Comet?



The Star? A Supernova

The Star? Conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn?



The Star? A combination?



Bethlehem "House of bread" David anointed



Symbolic Light of the world King of all nations Psalm 19: The heavens declare...

Reflection Begins with a hunger.... Finding Jesus