



## Looking for a KING

Pursuing The KING #1

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O Bethlehem Ephrathah, you are but a small Judean village, yet you will be the birthplace of my King who is alive from everlasting ages past!  
**Micah 5:2 (LB)**

He will be great. People will call him the Son of the Most High God, and the Lord God will make him king like his ancestor David. <sup>33</sup> He will rule over the people of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.  
**Luke 1:32-33 (ERV)**

**When I look for Jesus, I will find...**

### 1. A King who can relate to me.

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.  
**Luke 2:8-12 (NIV)**

We are people of flesh and blood. That is why Jesus became one of us...  
**Hebrews 2:14 (CEV)**

- Christmas shows The King's holiness in his lowliness.

### 2. A King who has the power to rule over everything.

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.  
**Luke 2:11 (NIV)**

The Lord is King. He rules over the nations. **Psalm 22:28 (NIRV)**

<sup>15</sup> Look, all the nations in the world are like one small drop in the bucket. If the Lord took all the faraway nations and put them on his scales, they would be like small pieces of dust. <sup>17</sup> Compared to God, all the nations of the world are nothing. **Isaiah 40:15, 17a (ERV)**

## Two reasons why this is important:

### #1- Jesus has power over all my problems.

But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not just an insignificant village in Judah. A ruler will come from you who will be like a shepherd for my people Israel.  
**Matthew 2:6 (NCV)**

This will happen when the special child is born. God will give us a son who will be responsible for leading the people. His name will be "Wonderful Counselor, Powerful God, Father Who Lives Forever, Prince of Peace." <sup>7</sup> His power will continue to grow, and there will be peace without end. This will establish him as the King sitting on David's throne and ruling his kingdom. He will rule with goodness and justice forever and ever.  
**Isaiah 9:6-7c (ERV)**

### #2- Jesus has power over me.

His mighty power rules forever and nothing the nations do can be hidden from him. So don't turn against God. **Psalm 66:7 (CEV)**

You are my King and my God,  
**Psalm 44:4a (NIV)**

### 3. A King who can restore me.

A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.  
**Matthew 2:18 (NIV)**

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him... <sup>27</sup> Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, ...  
**Luke 2:25-28 (NIV)**

There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. <sup>38</sup> Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

**Luke 2:36-38 (NIV)**