

“Reactions to a Baby Born”

Mt. 2:1-16

INTRODUCTION

- a casual treatment of the facts

1. The players (2:1)

- Herod ... but which one?

- the magi ... following a “star”

Num. 24:17

2. Response: severe rejection (2:1-3, 16)

- Herod “troubled”

- Jesus’ birth...Herod’s death

3. Response: satisfied indifference (2:4-6)

4. Response: submissive worship (2:7-11)

- gold
- frankincense
- myrrh

CONCLUSION