

Jan 4/26 - Led to Worship – Matt 2:1-12 (Small Group Questions)

1. Are there any particular 'stars' that God has used in your life to help guide you to him? Are there signs of God's movement that we tend to overlook because they don't fit into our patterns of how we think God speaks?
2. What might we be afraid of losing if we were to truly welcome Jesus as king? It might not be as obvious as Herod's clear insecurity... but think for example of St Augustine's prayer: "Lord, make me chaste – but not yet!" What do we hold on to, that we are afraid of God taking from us?
3. Why is it significant that the magi offer themselves before they offer their gifts? What does this look like for us?
4. Once the magi encountered Christ, the star that had guided them is no longer mentioned. How do we live faithfully when we may no longer feel clearly guided?
5. What does freedom mean to you - really? Where are you longing for freedom in your life right now? How might following Christ lead us not just to personal freedom, but to freedom for others?