

Welcome: We would like to welcome you here today for our worship service with our focus on the importance of the heart in relationship with the Lord. Our theme is “Wise Hearts Still Seek Him.” Matthew 2:1-23.

Sermon Outline

1. **God loves us so much that He reaches out to every person no matter how far away they are** – God used the star to reach Gentile magician/astrologers in order to bring them to Christ.
 - a. As we think of the first part of our message ...How did the Lord reach you? In addition who is he putting on your heart to reach out to? Who could you ask into your discipleship group? Ask yourself...why are we at Washington school? Remember the sign the school put up for us “You Light up Washington School.” What is the Lord telling us through that?

2. **God wants us to diligently seek him**...why...it changes our heart. How does worship change our heart? *Matthew 7:7 Seek and you shall find, knock and the door shall be opened.*

3. **True worship changes our heart** – Wise men offered valuable gifts, what do we offer God? How does true worship change our heart in relationship to the Lord?

4. **The heart of our relationship with Jesus is following Him.** Why is following and obedience so important in our relationship with Jesus.

5. Who does the Lord want you to pray for that He wants to use you to reach for Him?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____

6. What is this message telling you today? What would the Lord like you to do?
