

¹Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, ²Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. ³When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. ⁵And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, ⁶And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. ⁷Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. ⁸And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. ⁹When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. ¹¹And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed

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¹وَلَمَّا وُلِدَ يَسُوعُ فِي بَيْتِ لَحْمِ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ فِي أَيَّامِ هِيرُودُسَ الْمَلِكِ إِذَا مَجُوسٌ مِنَ الْمَشْرِقِ قَدْ جَاءُوا إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ قَائِلِينَ: أَيْنَ هُوَ الْمَوْلُودُ، مَلِكُ الْيَهُودِ؟ فَإِنَّا رَأَيْنَا نَجْمَهُ فِي الْمَشْرِقِ وَأَتَيْنَا لِنَسْجُدَ لَهُ. ³فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ هِيرُودُسُ الْمَلِكُ اضْطَرَبَ وَجَمِيعُ أُورُشَلِيمَ مَعَهُ. ⁴فَجَمَعَ كُلَّ رُؤَسَاءِ الْكَهَنَةِ وَكَتَبَ الشَّعْبَ وَسَأَلَهُمْ: أَيْنَ يُولَدُ الْمَسِيحُ؟ فَقَالُوا لَهُ: فِي بَيْتِ لَحْمِ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ، لِأَنَّهُ هَكَذَا مَكْتُوبٌ بِالنَّبِيِّ: ⁶وَأَبْتَ، يَا بَيْتَ لَحْمِ، أَرْضَ يَهُودَا، لَسْتَ الصَّغْرَى بَيْنَ رُؤَسَاءِ يَهُودَا، لَأَنَّ مِنْكَ يَخْرُجُ مُدَبِّرٌ يَرْعَى شَعْبِي إِسْرَائِيلَ".

⁷حِينَئِذٍ دَعَا هِيرُودُسُ الْمَجُوسَ سِرًّا وَتَحَقَّقَ مِنْهُمْ رِمَانَ النَّجْمِ الَّذِي ظَهَرَ. ⁸ثُمَّ أَرْسَلَهُمْ إِلَى بَيْتِ لَحْمٍ وَقَالَ: ادْهَبُوا وَافْحَصُوا بِالتَّحْقِيقِ عَنِ الصَّبِيِّ، وَمَتَى وَجَدْتُمُوهُ فَأَخْبِرُونِي لِكَيْ أَتِيَ أَنَا أَيْضًا وَأَسْجُدَ لَهُ. ⁹فَلَمَّا سَمِعُوا مِنَ الْمَلِكِ دَهَبُوا. وَإِذَا النَّجْمُ الَّذِي رَأَوْهُ فِي الْمَشْرِقِ يَتَقَدَّمُهُمْ حَتَّى جَاءَ وَوَقَفَ قَوْفٌ حَيْثُ كَانَ الصَّبِيُّ. ¹⁰فَلَمَّا رَأَوْا النَّجْمَ قَرَحُوا قَرَحًا عَظِيمًا جَدًّا. ¹¹وَأَتَوْا إِلَى الْبَيْتِ وَرَأَوْا الصَّبِيَّ مَعَ مَرْيَمَ، أُمِّهِ، فَخَرُّوا وَسَجَدُوا لَهُ، ثُمَّ فَتَحُوا كُتُوبَهُمْ وَقَدَّمُوا لَهُ هَدَايَا: ذَهَبًا وَلُبَانًا وَمُرًّا. ¹²ثُمَّ إِذْ أَوْجَبَ إِلَيْهِمْ فِي حُلُمٍ أَنْ لَا يَرْجِعُوا إِلَى هِيرُودُسَ انْصَرَفُوا فِي طَرِيقٍ أُخْرَى إِلَى كُورِثِهِمْ.

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¹³وَبَعْدَمَا انْصَرَفُوا إِذَا مَلَاكُ الرَّبِّ قَدْ ظَهَرَ لِيُوسُفَ فِي حُلُمٍ قَائِلًا: قُمْ وَخُذِ الصَّبِيَّ وَأُمَّهُ وَاهْرُبْ إِلَى مِصْرَ وَكُنْ هُنَاكَ حَتَّى أَقُولَ لَكَ، لِأَنَّ هِيرُودُسَ مُرْمِعٌ أَنْ يَطْلُبَ الصَّبِيَّ لِيُهْلِكَهُ. ¹⁴فَقَامَ وَأَخَذَ الصَّبِيَّ وَأُمَّهُ لَيْلًا وَانْصَرَفَ إِلَى مِصْرَ. ¹⁵وَكَانَ هُنَاكَ إِلَى وَقَاةِ هِيرُودُسَ، لِكَيْ يَتِمَّ مَا قِيلَ مِنَ الرَّبِّ بِالنَّبِيِّ الْقَائِلِ: "مِنْ مِصْرَ دَعَوْتُ ابْنِي".

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¹⁶حِينَئِذٍ لَمَّا رَأَى هِيرُودُسُ أَنَّ الْمَجُوسَ سَخَرُوا بِهِ عَصَبَ جَدًّا، فَأَرْسَلَ وَقَتَلَ جَمِيعَ الصِّبْيَانِ الَّذِينَ فِي بَيْتِ لَحْمٍ وَفِي كُلِّ ثُخُومِهَا، مِنْ ابْنِ سَنَتَيْنِ قَمَا دُونَ، بِحَسَبِ الزَّمَانِ الَّذِي تَحَقَّقَهُ مِنَ الْمَجُوسِ. ¹⁷حِينَئِذٍ تَمَّ مَا قِيلَ بِإِرْمِيَا النَّبِيِّ الْقَائِلِ: ¹⁸"صَوْتُ سَمِيعٍ فِي الرَّامَةِ، تَوْخٌ وَبُكَاءٌ وَغَوِيلٌ كَثِيرٌ: رَاجِلٌ تَبْكِي عَلَى أَوْلَادِهَا وَلَا تُرِيدُ أَنْ تَتَعَرَّى لَأَنَّهُمْ لَيْسُوا بِمَوْجُودِينَ".

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into their own country another way.¹³ And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.¹⁴ When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:¹⁵ And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.¹⁷ Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying,¹⁸ In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.¹⁹ But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt,²⁰ Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.²¹ And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.²² But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned

¹⁹ فَلَمَّا مَاتَ هِيرُودُسُ إِذَا مَلَكُ الرَّبِّ قَدْ طَهَرَ فِي حُلُمٍ
لِيُوسُفَ فِي مِصْرَ ²⁰ قَائِلًا: قُمْ وَخُذِ الصَّبِيَّ وَأُمَّهُ وَادْهَبْ
إِلَى أَرْضِ إِسْرَائِيلَ، لِأَنَّهُ قَدْ مَاتَ الَّذِينَ كَانُوا يَطْلُبُونَ
نَفْسَ الصَّبِيِّ. ²¹ فَقَامَ وَأَخَذَ الصَّبِيَّ وَأُمَّهُ وَجَاءَ إِلَى أَرْضِ
إِسْرَائِيلَ. ²² وَلَكِنْ لَمَّا سَمِعَ أَنَّ أَرْخِلَاوُسَ يَمْلِكُ عَلَى
الْيَهُودِيَّةِ عَوِضًا عَنْ هِيرُودُسَ، أَخْبَاهُ، خَافَ أَنْ يَذْهَبَ إِلَى
هُنَاكَ، وَإِذْ أَوْجِبَ إِلَيْهِ فِي حُلُمٍ أَنْصَرَفَ إِلَى تَوَاجِي
الْجَلِيلِ. ²³ وَأَتَى وَسَكَنَ فِي مَدِينَةٍ يُقَالُ لَهَا نَاصِرَةُ، لِكَيْ
يَتِمَّ مَا قِيلَ بِالْأَنْبِيَاءِ: "إِنَّهُ سَيَدْعَى نَاصِرِيًّا".

aside into the parts of Galilee:²³ And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.