

Biblical Astrology 3:

Matthew 2 Discussion

Mat 2:1-10 Now when Yeshua was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of King Herod, behold, **wise men from the east** came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who is born King of the Jews? For **we saw his star in the east**, and have come to worship him." When King Herod heard it, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Gathering together

all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he asked them where the Messiah would be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is written through the prophet, 'You Bethlehem, land of Judah, are in no way least among the princes of Judah: for out of you shall come forth a governor, who shall shepherd my people, Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called the wise men, and learned from them exactly what time the star appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem, and said, "Go and search diligently for the young child. When you have found him, bring me word, so that I also may come and worship him." They, having heard the king, went their way; and behold, **the star, which they saw in the east, went before them**, until it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy.



Comparing the information contained in the Matthew account and the paragraph below it, a few things stick out immediately:

1. The Magi know of the arrival of someone special, and Herod and his court do not.
2. *They know precisely who they are looking for.*

We saw his star in the east: The Magi had known of and/or anticipated the coming of a special leader from among the Israelites. His coming would be signaled by a particular astrological phenomenon.

According to the preceding quote from the article on Babylonian astrology, astrological interpretations were based upon, **[the recollection or on written records of what in the past had taken place when the phenomenon or phenomena in question had been observed.]** What past astrological occurrence could be associated with the nation of Israel? Why would Magi, from another country, know about it? The answer to this question is mind-boggling. The astrologers and wise men were acquainted with Israel's astrological data through the birth of Abraham. Compare their nativities to see just how similar they are: star, rulers are unaware, jealousy, child murder, hiding of the child, etc.

And it was in the night that Abram was born, that all the servants of Terah, and all the wise men of Nimrod, and his conjurers came and ate and drank in the house of Terah, and they rejoiced with him on that night. And when all the wise men and conjurers went out from the house of Terah, they lifted up their eyes toward heaven that night to look at the stars, and they saw, and behold one very large star came from the east and ran in the heavens, and he swallowed up the four stars from the four sides of the heavens. And all the wise men of the king and his conjurers were astonished at the sight, and the sages understood this matter, and they knew its import. And they said to each other, This only betokens the child that has been born to Terah this night, who will grow up and be fruitful, and multiply, and possess all the earth, he and his children for ever, and he and his seed will slay great kings, and inherit their lands. Jasher 8:1-4

At the very beginning of Babylon, a child was born that would be in opposition to its system and principles. Nimrod's counselors (magi) recognized the child's destiny to be as such. His astrological data was duly noted, recorded and, somehow, passed down the generations through some form of astrological instruction. When it was seen again in the heavens, some thousands of years later, the Magi remembered its significance and came in search of YahoShua.

Brothers and sisters, to me, this shows that there is some sort of legitimacy to the practice and study of astrology. However, this is what blew my mind. If they recognized Abram's astrological significance, what was the previous socio-spiritual event that occurred with the same 'star data' phenomenon taking place. Who came to the planet BEFORE Abram and set a precedent for taking over the world? **"Before Abraham was, I am(?)." John 8:58** Amaryah-Sabba@live.com

Anyways... NEXT: Why Didn't Herod Recognize/Know?

"The Babylonian priests accordingly applied themselves to the task of perfecting a system of interpretation of the phenomena to be observed in the heavens, and it was natural that the system was extended from the moon, sun and five planets to the more prominent and recognizable fixed stars.

The interpretations themselves were based (as in the case of divination through the liver) chiefly on two factors: **On the recollection or on written records of what in the past had taken place when the phenomenon or phenomena in question had been observed...**"⁷

No doubt about it, the Magi/wise men came from Babylon. If you trace the traditions and people back through the various names and phases of existence; Sumer, Babel, etc., you find the root in Nimrod's Babel. The book of Jasher, what we refer to as the Bible, and Zoroastrian and Persian literature all refer to the same location: Shinar. The individuals that came looking for YahShua were Babylonian!



¹ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Babylonian_astrology