



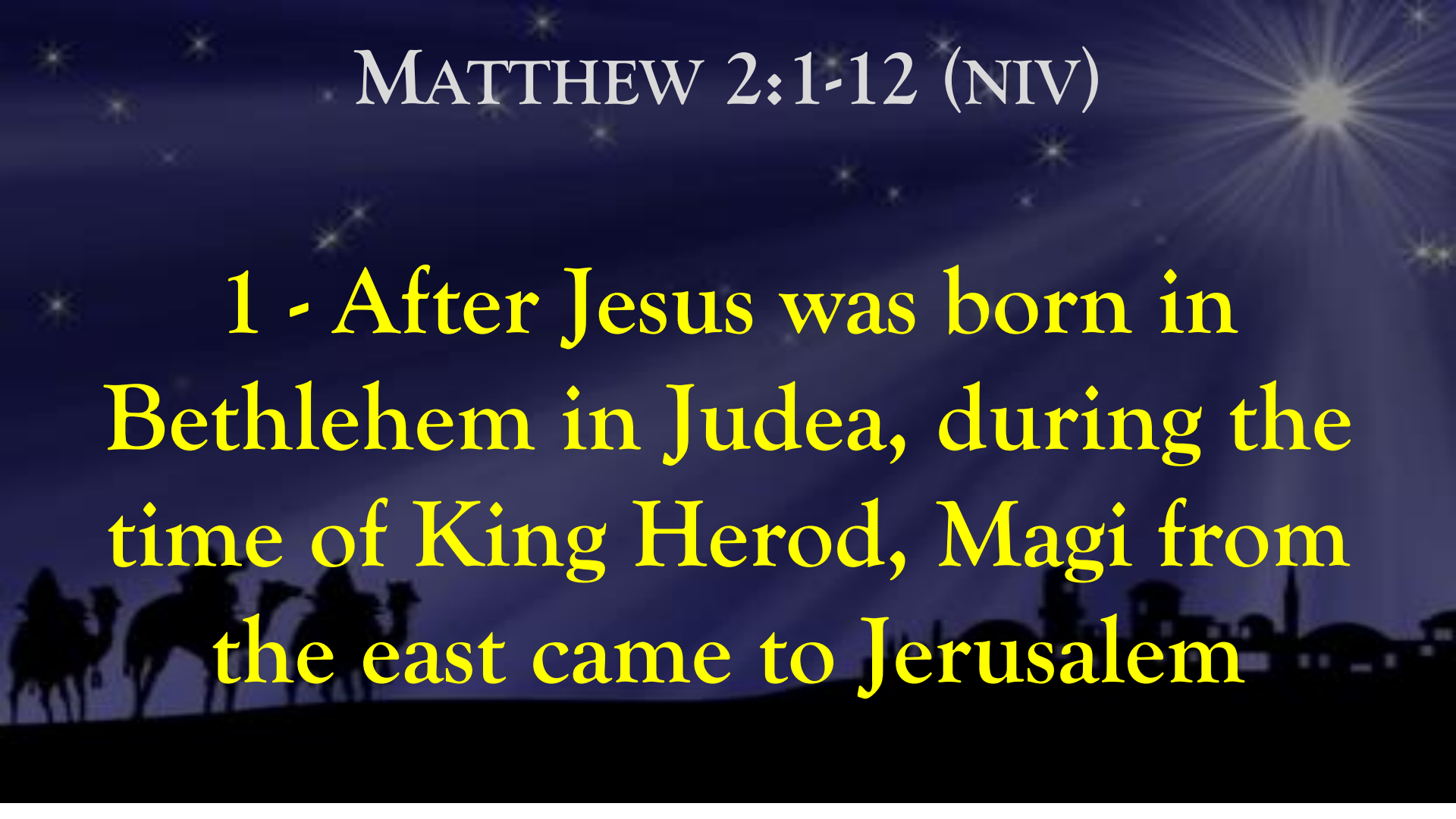
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OR
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MATTHEW 2:1-12(NIV)

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1 - After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem

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2 - and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him."

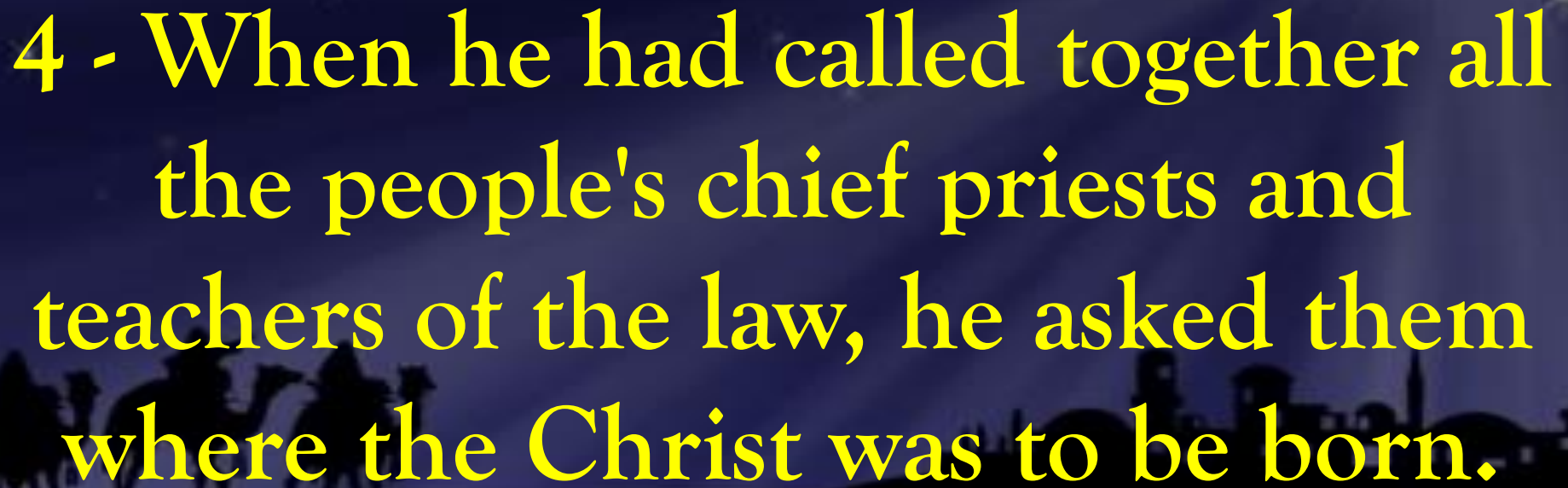
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3 - When King Herod heard this
he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem
with him.



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4 - When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born.

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5 - "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:



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6a - " 'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;



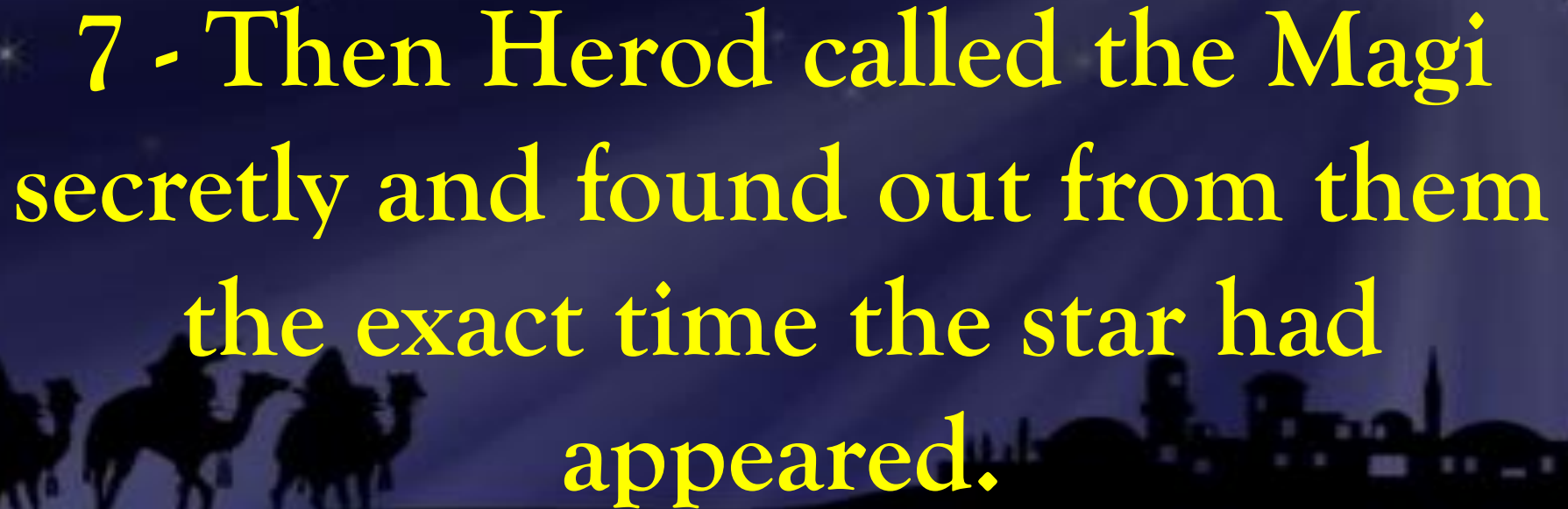
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6b - for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel. "



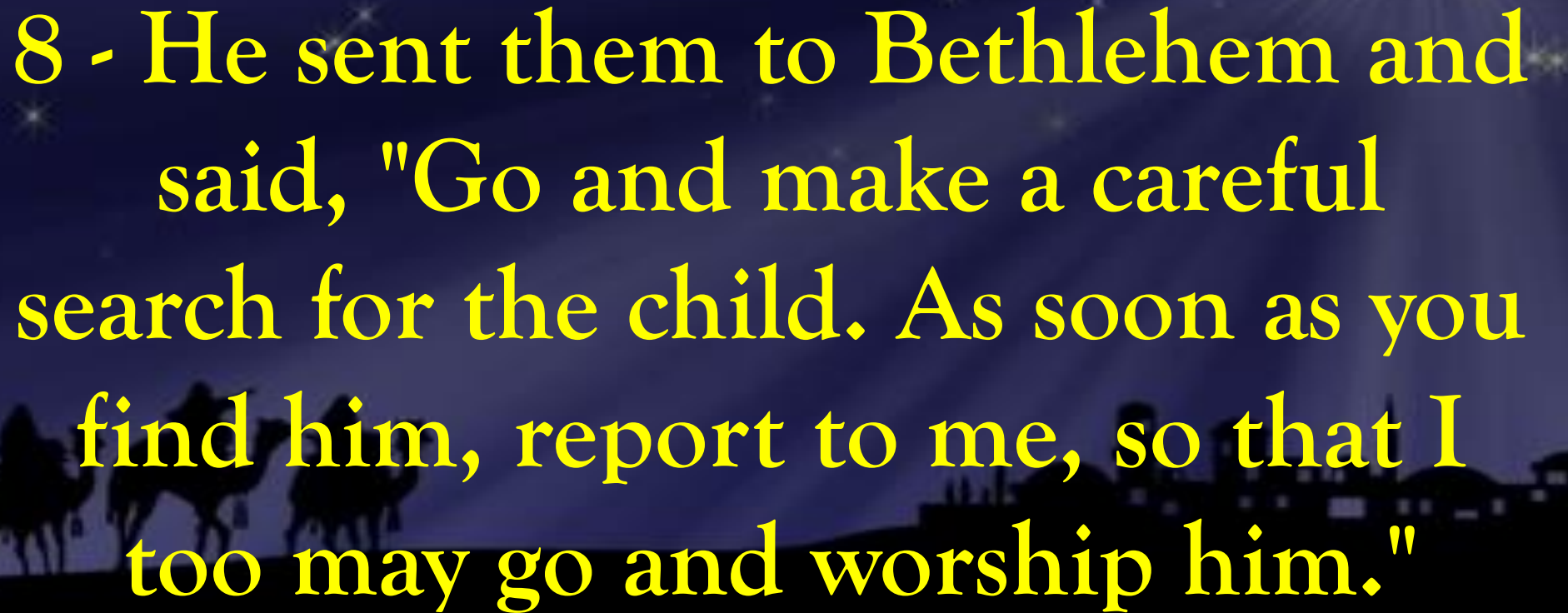
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7 - Then Herod called the Magi
secretly and found out from them
the exact time the star had
appeared.

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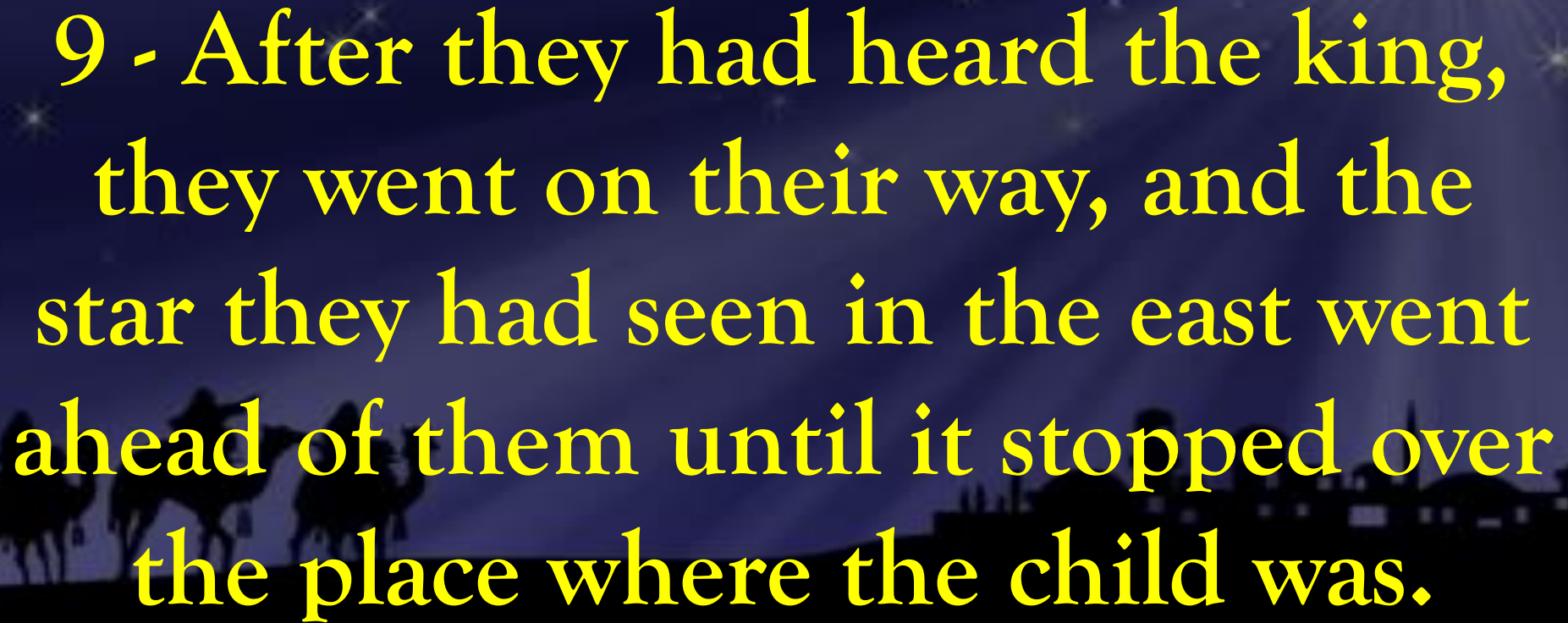
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8 - He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."



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9 - After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.

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10 - When they saw the star, they
were overjoyed.



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11a - On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him.



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11b - Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.



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12 - And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.



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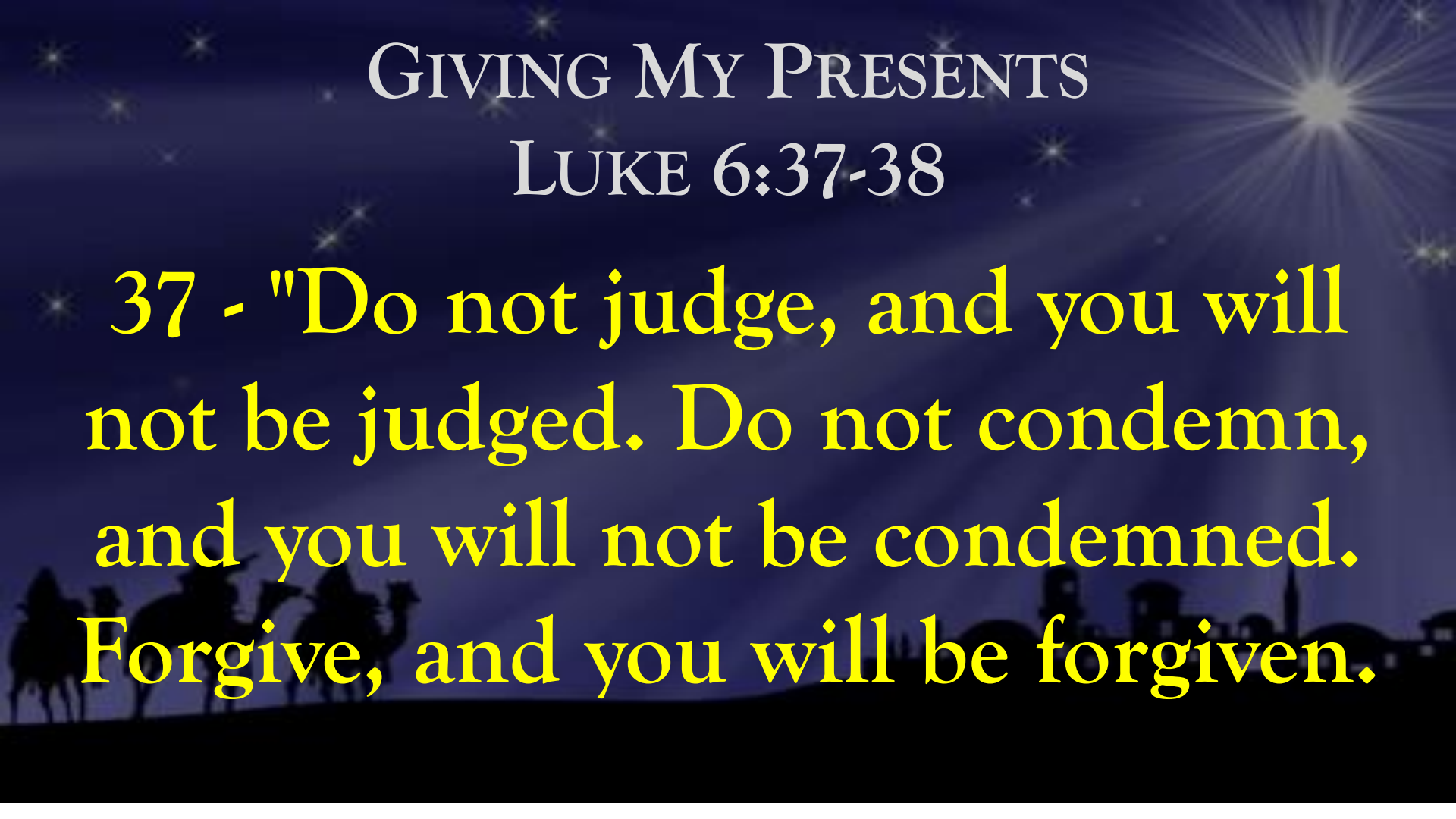


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GIVING MY PRESENTS

LUKE 6:37-38

37 - "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven."

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LUKE 6:37-38

38 - Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

GIVING MY PRESENTS
DEUTERONOMY 16:17

Each of you must bring a gift in
proportion to the way the LORD
your God has blessed you.



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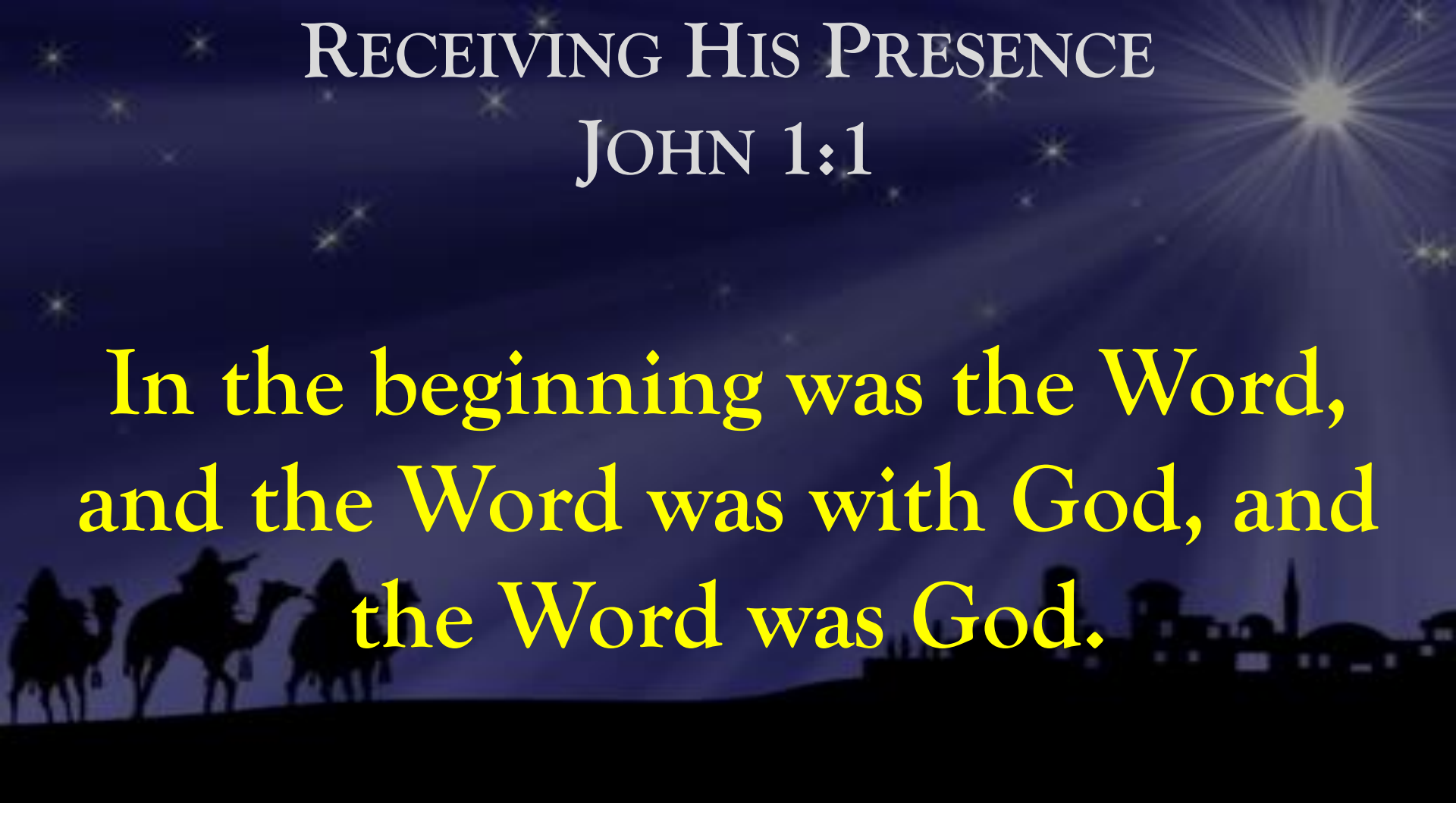


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RECEIVING HIS PRESENCE

JOHN 1:1

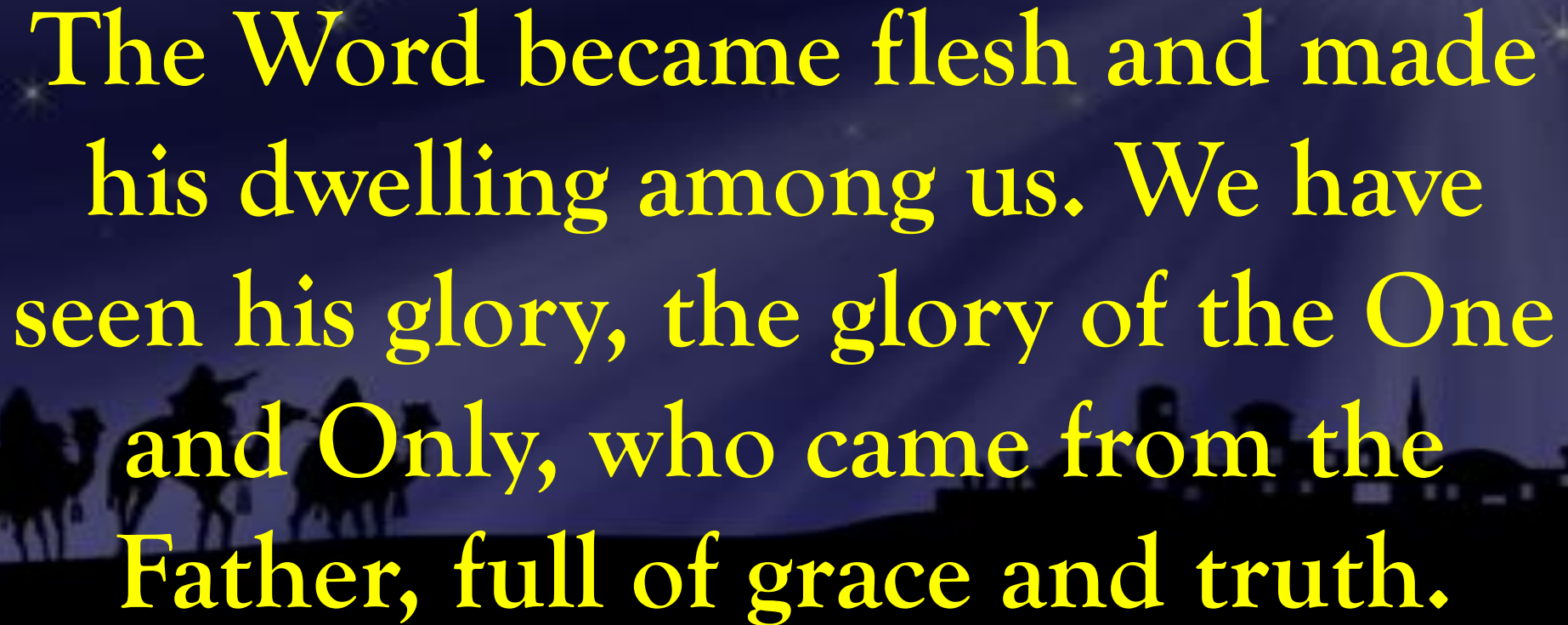
In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God, and
the Word was God.

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RECEIVING HIS PRESENCE

JOHN 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.



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The background of the slide is a dark blue night sky filled with stars of various sizes. In the lower portion, there are black silhouettes of three camels with riders, likely representing the Three Kings, moving from left to right. To their right, there is a silhouette of a city skyline with various buildings and domes.

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