

Suggested Resources

Below is a list of resources that will help you dig deeper into the topic preached about this morning:

- Louie Giglio - *The Air I Breathe: Worship as a Way of Life* ← this week's "Pastor's Pick"
- Matt Redman - *The Unquenchable Worshipper: Coming Back to the Heart of Worship*
- Dan Kopp - *The Christmas "Star": It's Not What You Think* (blog). available at dankopp.wordpress.com
- Bill Hybels - *Too Busy Not To Pray*

Below is a list of CDs that are in "heavy rotation" at the Kopp household.

- Bethel Music - *We Will Not Be Shaken*
- Jesus Culture - *Let It Echo*
- David Leach - *Our Savior's Love*
- Passion - *Even So Come*
- Vineyard Worship - *Waterfalls*
- *The Fourth Wise Man* (movie)

Suggested Bibles

We teach from the Bible on Sundays and encourage you to read the Bible throughout the week. Here are a few recommended versions of it:

Quest Study Bible

"The Question and Answer Bible."

NIV First-Century Study Bible

explore Scripture in its Jewish and early Christian context

NIV Study Bible

contains over 20,000 study notes.

Teen Life Application Study Bible

includes sections explaining what the Bible has to say about the questions and issues teens face in the Choices, I Wonder, Ultimate Issues, and My Story features.

Kids Quest Study Bible

contains over 500 questions that kids ask, "Quest Challenges" to help you apply what you read and more!

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The Fourth Wise Man

Week 1 of series: The Rest of the (Christmas) Story
December 4, 2016: Second Sunday of Advent

We want people to encounter God on Sundays and not just "go to church." That is why today's 75-minute service will include an in-depth Bible teaching, communion, worship (feel free to stand or sit as we sing), and an opportunity to receive 1-on-1 prayer.

The Fourth Wise Man

Dan Kopp (lead pastor - The Eastside Vineyard Church)

Notes:

Digging Deeper Questions

In our fast-paced culture, it's easy to be impacted by the sermon you hear at church on Sunday... only to forget about it by Monday. To make this message "stick" we created these Digging Deeper Questions so you can process and apply what you heard at church. Take some time this week to go through these questions by yourself, in your small group, with a friend, your family, or your roommate.

1. Icebreaker: What makes the Christmas season "the most wonderful time of the year" for you? Have fun with this question!
2. Is there anything you heard in this week's sermon or experienced in this week's service that was an "a ha" moment, something significant for you?
3. How do the details of Sunday's sermon line up with what you have always believed when it comes to the three wise men?
4. Read 2 Samuel 6:14-22. Louie Giglio writes, "All you have to do is drop in on a concert in the local arena or go to a sporting event at a nearby stadium to see amazing worship. People are going for it, lifting their hands, shouting like crazy, staking their claim, standing in awe, declaring their allegiance." Why do people (or you?) tend to cheer like crazy in these situations but then act so subdued while singing on Sundays - in essence, acting more like Michal than David?
5. Read Romans 12:2. December 4th was the Second Sunday of Advent (so we have three more to go!). Over the last two weeks, to what degree have you been "conformed to the patterns of this world" by entering into the craziness of what our culture has turned Christmas into? Be specific.
6. One Action Step given in Sunday's sermon was to follow in the footsteps of the magi and worship God with your *mouths* (and your ears) during Advent. Which of the three "ways to worship" with your mouth listed below do you feel compelled to press into?
 - ...through music
 - ...through adoring prayer
 - ...through everyday conversations
7. Another Action Step given in Sunday's sermon was to follow in the footsteps of the magi and worship God with your *actions* during Advent in a way that disrupts your life. Which of the four "ways to worship" through actions listed below do you feel compelled to press into?
 - ...through Bible reading
 - ...through church attendance
 - ...through fasting
 - ...through Part 1 and Part 2 of Christmas
8. Are there any other things you feel compelled to do differently between now and Christmas morning to keep the true "reason for the season" at the forefront of your mind?

Key Passage:

And after entering the house, they saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they fell down and worshiped Him. Then, after opening their treasure chests, they presented to Him gifts [fit for a king, gifts] of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Matthew 2:11 (AMP)