HOW CAME THE STAR?

Message 2 in *THERE SHALL COME A STAR SERIES* Numbers 24:17-19

Review: Last week 6 out of 10 Prophecies of Messiah (Christ) Last week The Promises (Prophecies) of the coming Star This week The Purpose of the coming Star Next week The Precision of the coming Star

INTRODUCTION: Gen. 3:14-16 The Fall in Eden; Num. 24:17 promised Star; John 12:46 Claimed light of the World cf. Luke 19:10

Look now at three things concerning the purpose of Christ's Advent–the star's appearing. Which is the prophecy about? The Christ or, the heavenly body the Magi saw? Matt. 2:2

- I. IT WAS A PREDETERMINED PURPOSE
  - A. Time of the Predetermining Rev. 13:8; I Pet. 1:20
  - B. Theme of the Predetermining Eph. 1:7; Gen. 3:15; Heb. 9:12
  - C. Triumph of the Predetermining Phil. 2:5-11; Heb. 1:3; Lu. 2:29-35
  - II. IT WAS A PERFECT PURPOSE
  - A. A perfect Example Heb. 12:2-3; I Tim. 6:11-16
    - 1. In His Life sinless Heb. 4:15-16; Il Cor. 5:21
    - 2. In His Death meekness Isa. 53:7
    - 3. In His Resurrection Triumphant I Cor. 15:20
  - B. A Perfect Sacrifice Heb. 9:14; 10:14
  - C. A Perfect Saviour Eph. 1:6; John 10:28-29
  - **III. IT WAS A PREDOMINATING PURPOSE**
  - A. Its Predominance in Christ's mind John 18:37
  - B. Its Predominance in Father's mind I John 4:14-16; John 3:16, 19
  - C. Its Predominance in Spirit mind John 16:8-15

The Ultimate Reason for Christ's birth was His death as second Adam that he might reconcile sinful man to his thrice Holy God. I Cor. 15:20-23; 11 Cor. 5:21