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chain of events that follow (the slaughter of innocent children, the need to run away to Egypt) cause several more mistakes to happen.

When the wise men finally make it to the 'right' place, and when they see this baby who has none of the trappings of power, the wise men do recognise him, and they fall down and they worship and they leave their gifts and go home with nothing tangible in return. But what they do leave with is the eyes of the hearts enlightened. It was not what they were expecting. They knew enough about power to read some of the signs, but they still had to be taught to recognise that the baby was the one to change the world. No matter how clever these men were they still had to have their eyes open. And the only way in which we can have the eyes of our hearts open is to look at Jesus.

Not all power is bad, but all power must be measured against the power of God.

This is a good time to train ourselves to recognise the Kingship of Christ. Not just to look up and see the star, but to look up and follow where the star is actually leading us - to Christ. But this is a daily discipline. Every decision we make, we must look to Jesus, every relationship we enter into, we must look to Jesus. We are trying to make it more and more visible to people that we are recognising that Christ is King.

There is only one power - the power of God. Every other power is measured against His power.

The power that we can see in Jesus is to be trusted. But this is counterintuitive.

The power of God has practical implications. When we ask Christ to rule over everything that enslaves us and our world, we find freedom. When we know that Christ is King we know our worth.

We carry the power of the God who made the world everywhere that we go, into every situation and every relationship. We are bearers of this power and the most powerful weapon of this power is the love of God.

When we know our place under the rule of Christ we know our worth and the worth of others.