

Believe—Witnesses to God’s Glory

Matthew 2:1-12

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How might God speak to me in 2012?

1. Nature

“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.” —Matthew 2:2

Moses, Exodus 3:2 _____

David, Psalm 121 _____

Human beings, Romans 1:19-20 _____

At Crucifixion, Matthew 27:51, Luke 23:44 _____

Always look for an accompanying inner witness, confirmation between our spirit and the Holy Spirit.

Romans 8:16, 27 _____

2. Angels

“When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.” —Luke 2:15

Zechariah, Luke 1:11 _____

Mary, Luke 1:28 _____

3. Dreams

“And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.” —Matthew 2:12

Pentecost, Joel 2:28, Acts 2:17 _____

Joseph, Matthew 1:20, 2:13, 2:19 _____

Ananias, Acts 9:10 _____

Peter, Acts 10:10 _____

4. Inward Witness Of **Holy Spirit**

“It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Christ.” —Luke 2:26

Anna, Luke 2:38 _____

Gift of Prophecy, Romans 12:6 _____

Gift of Knowledge, 1 Corinthians 12:8 _____

Gift of Wisdom, 1 Corinthians 12:8 _____

5. **Voice** of God.

“And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.” —Matthew 3:17

Baptism of Jesus, Matthew 3:17, Mark 1:11, Luke 3:22 _____

Mount of Transfiguration, Matthew 17:5, Mark 9:7, Luke 9:35 _____

At Triumphal Entry, John 12:28 _____

Elijah on Horeb, 1 Kings 19:11-12 _____

Saul’s Conversion, Acts 9:4-6 _____

6. **Word** of God.

“In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written: “But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel.” —Matthew 2:5-6 (Micah 5:2)

Testify of Jesus, John 5:39 _____

Secondary Witnesses—We hear from each other.

- Shepherds, Luke 2
- Samaritan Woman, John 4
- Disciples on Pentecost, Acts 2
- Paul and Silas, Acts 16
- You and I, Matthew 28

Sacraments—Holy Communion. Communion is spiritual communication. The body, soul, and Spirit all join in communication with God.