

Memorandum

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To: Sermon Seminar Participants
Planning to attend McNicol's "Text to Sermon" Session

From: Allan McNicol

It is about a month to Sermon Seminar and this year I am planning for us to work on a text featuring the visit of the Magi (Matt 2:1-12).

I am making available two resources:

1. Gerhard Lohfink, "The Bible in My Life as an Exegete" from his *No Irrelevant Jesus*, pp. 301-314. (It is mainly on Matt. 2:1-12).
2. Matthias Konradt, *Israel, Gentiles and the Church in the Gospels*, 272-274. (Again it is his analysis of Matt. 2:1-12).

Assignment: Please prepare to do a sermon on Matthew 2:1-12. You may get as far as an outline which you can bring and share with other participants if you choose. The additional readings are designed to give you ideas for presentation.

I will actually prepare a sermon on this passage. We will spend our time discussing the passage, your outlines, my sermon and any other ideas that may surface about how to preach this text.

Look forward to seeing you.

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