

free from error. Verbal inspiration means that ~~w~~ the words are free from error. Well, both are true. Correctly understood, the two words are identical. You can't have ~~h~~ plenary ~~re~~ inspiration unless it is ~~very~~ verbal. You can't really have verbal ~~unt~~ unless it is ~~ver~~ ~~plea~~ plenary. ~~-Yes,~~

Ans. ~~The-~~ Yes, Matt. 2 says that When Jesus was born in Bethlehem Judaea in the days of ~~the~~ Herod the King, there came wise men from the East. ~~It~~ It tells about that. The actual birth has been described very briefly in Matt. 1 --Now, does Matt. come ~~x~~ immediately after Matt. one or does it come a little bit later. We are not sure. These ~~the~~ wise men had come a distance in order to see Jesus, and they talked to Herod and they told him how they were anxious to find this one who was born King of the Jews. We read how God caused that they should flee into Egypt. And then Herod sent and had all the ~~cin~~-- children in that area of two years old and under ~~x~~ killed. ~~We read no Evid~~ Evidently what Herod gathered from the wise men wasn't ~~neceea~~-- necessarily ~~the~~ when Jesus was just born, but he was still quite young. In other words, this may have been on their first trip to Bethlehem when Jesus was born. There was not room in the inn, and ~~he was-~~ He was born in a manger, but maybe on the third or fourth day there was room in the inn. And by the time that the wise men got there they were in a house, or maybe this was on a trip back two or three years later. We don't know. But it certainly wasn't the night ~~lx~~ He was born. That is quite evident. That is like so many ~~parents-~~ apparent contradictions in the scriptures. We examine them closely and we find that there is another factor there that becomes obvious when we look carefully. ~~The-~~ When we insist that two things are identical, we often are ~~x~~ reading into it, they may be two ~~related-~~ related to it, it is certainly not the night that He was born. But it could be a few