

Bring Your Gifts



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¹ After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”

Matthew 2:1-2 (NIV2011)

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.

Matthew 2:9 (NIV2011)

¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Matthew 2:10-11 (NIV2011)

- This act of coming to worship led to a humongous, great big experience of _____
 - Are you _____joyed or _____joyed?
 - Bring your _____ as an act of worship

The gifts

- gold - his _____
- frankincense - his _____ role
- myrrh - his _____

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16 (NIV)

- _____ gives

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. **Romans 5:8 (NIV2011)**

⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶ in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. ⁸ This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. ⁹ Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; ¹⁰ then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

Proverbs 3:5-10 (NIV2011)

- We bring to God our _____ and _____ and trust God to _____ the _____.

Your Ultimate Gift

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

Romans 12:1 (NIV2011)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Memorize and or meditate on Matthew 2:10-11
- Identify what it would take to make worshiping through giving a priority in my relationship with God and do it.
- Commit to the Tithe Challenge
- Intentionally find ways to give during this season that brings joy to others.
- Surrender my life, my ultimate gift, to God who gave me the ultimate gift - new life in His Son Jesus Christ.