25-DAY ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

Gold a King is born today, incense God is with us

Myrrh His death will make a way and by his wounds He'll win us

"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 2:11

e all love receiving gifts, don't we? Often those gifts can tell you a little about what we are like and what we do. I remember one Christmas when I was 10 or 11 I got a little music playing machine with a microphone attached to it because I loved to sing. Think of a gift you have received and what it might tell someone about you.

The special gifts the wise men brought tell us something more about Jesus. The gift of gold is a wonderful way to tell us that Jesus is the King. Kings wear golden crowns and sit on golden thrones. Incense (Frankincense) is like a perfume. Just like the smell of a beautiful perfume might fill a room it reminds us that the Lord Jesus came to be with us, to live with us. We can come to Him who helps us. Myrrh is a special ointment that was used to put on a person's body when they had died. This reminds us that Jesus came that He might die on the cross to take away our sins.

The main reason we give and receive gifts at Christmas is to remind one another of the greatest gift we all can receive—the love and grace of Jesus.



How is Jesus' birth the greatest gift to us?



Father in heaven,

Thank you for the gift of Your Son. In all the excitement of gifts this Christmas help me love Your greater gifts more and more as I sing and hear about Jesus

In His name we pray, Amen

