



GOD'S GIFT OF LOVE!
-Give Him Your Love!

Let's together share His Love and give His Words to others this Christmas, that they too may "know Him, Whom to know is Life Eternal". John 17:3. Let's give the Lord the gifts that He is most pleased with, the lives and hearts of men! Then we can really celebrate Christmas and sing,

Happy Birthday to You,
Happy Birthday to You,
Happy Birthday dear Jesus,
Happy Birthday to You!



because none took them in, right? Think of it! A friendly innkeeper let them stay in the barn for the night, since his place was full.



Just about the time Mary was about to have Jesus, Caesar sent out an order that everybody had to go back to their hometown to pay their taxes! They were almost like strangers to their own relatives in Bethlehem,

So Mary had the baby right there in the barn and she wrapped it up in swaddling clothes. Some shepherds were out there watching their flocks by night and all of a sudden there was a bright light and a whole bunch of angels began to sing:

to God in the highest; Peace on Earth, to men of good will! Fear not, for unto you this day is born in the city of Bethlehem a Saviour, Christ the Lord!

So they were all excited about it, and said: "Wow, let's go see Him!" And the shepherds found Jesus in the manger and they knelt down and praised the Lord and sang:



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Where's the new king born?

King? Who? I am the king! I would like to worship Him too!

Frankincense to offer him, I incense him with prayer and praise, raising all men to worship Him God most High!

Myrrh is mine, 'tis bitter perfume, breathes a life of gathering gloom; sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone cold tomb!



Born a king on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again, King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign!

Two years later the wise men came from the East, from Mesopotamia, now called Iraq. They apparently were astrologers and they had read the stars and found out that a great king was being born in Israel. And the Lord showed them a star that led them! This star stood right over the house where Jesus was living! Not over the house where Jesus was they had moved to, but when they got there they apparently used their natural reasoning instead of God's way.

We will go ask King Herod, he and his wise men will tell us! Instead of going ahead by faith and just following the star!

Well, they went to Bethlehem and the star guided them again and they followed God's leading instead of the wicked king and the bad people, and they found Jesus.

Frankincense was a lovely perfume that you gave to kings and the Son of God, but myrrh was a sad perfume that breathed of the tomb and showed that Jesus was going to die for us. Now why did He need gold anyway?