

## THE QUESTIONS OF CHRISTMAS

### **WHY GIFTS AT CHRISTMAS?**

Matthew 2:1-12

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*And they came into the house and saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they fell down and worshiped Him; and opening their treasures they presented to Him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. Matthew 2:11*

#### **Why do we give gifts at Christmas?**

##### **1. We give gifts because God gave to us.**

*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3:16*

*For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23*

##### **2. We give gifts because the wise men gave to Jesus.**

A. They recognized Him for who He is.

B. They worshiped Him with their very best.

##### **1. True worship requires the giving of self.**

*... but they first gave themselves to the Lord and to us by the will of God. 2 Corinthians 8:5 CEV*

##### **2. True worship requires the giving of wealth.**

*However the king said to Araunah, "No, but I will surely buy it from you for a price, for I will not offer burnt offerings to the LORD my God which cost me nothing."  
2 Samuel 24:24*