





¹Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, ²"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him."





Matthew 9b-11 NLT

And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! 11They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.









For a child is born to us,

 a son is given to us.

 The government will rest on his shoulders.

 And he will be called:

 Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

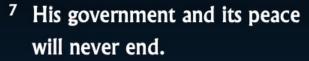












He will rule with fairness and justice from the throne of his ancestor David for all eternity.

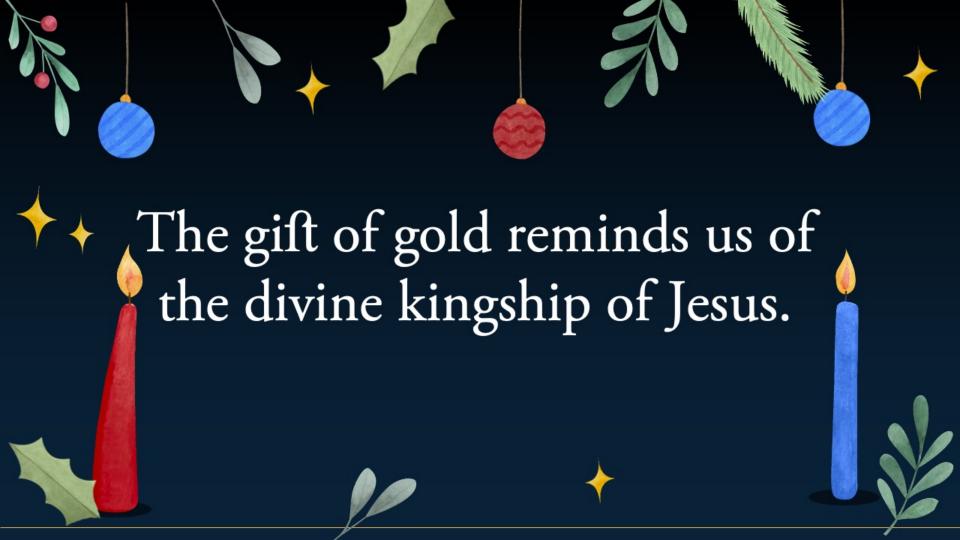
The passionate commitment of the Lord of Heaven's Armies will make this happen!

Isaiah 9:6-7 NLT













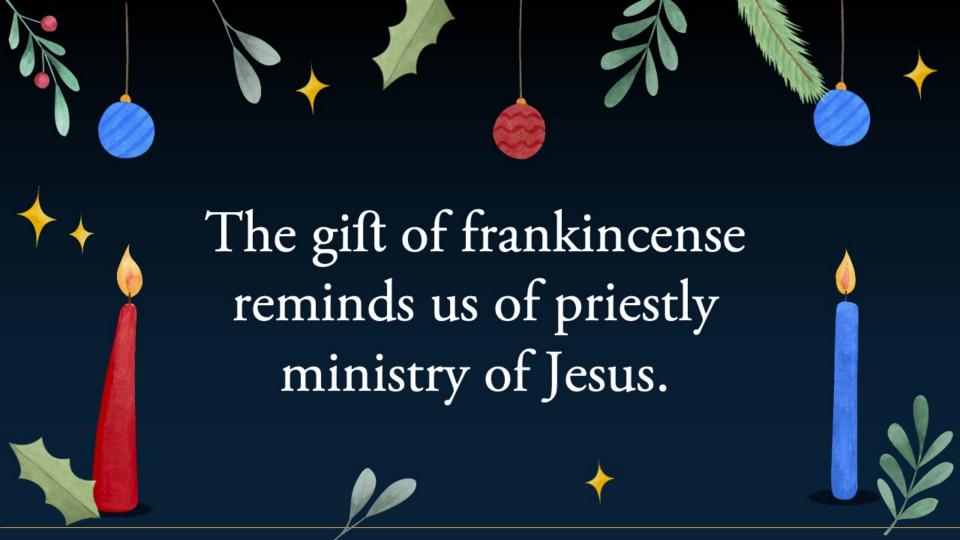
Hebrews 7:26-28 NLT

²⁶He is the kind of high priest we need because he is holy and blameless, unstained by sin. He has been set apart from sinners and has been given the highest place of honor in heaven. ²⁷Unlike those other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices every day. They did this for their own sins



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first and then for the sins of the people. But Jesus did this once for all when he offered himself as the sacrifice for the people's sins. ²⁸The law appointed high priests who were limited by human weakness. But after the law was given, God appointed his Son with an oath, and his Son has been made the perfect High Priest forever.









²³They offered him wine drugged with myrrh, but he refused it.







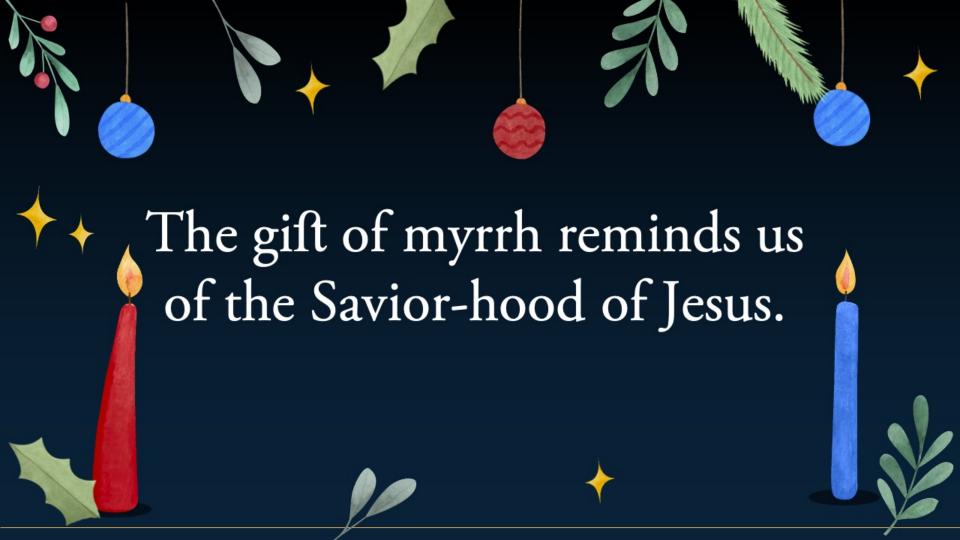
John 19:38-40 NLT

³⁸Afterward Joseph of Arimathea, who had been a secret disciple of Jesus (because he feared the Jewish leaders), asked Pilate for permission to take down Jesus' body. When Pilate gave permission, Joseph came and took the body away. ³⁹With him came Nicodemus, the man who had come to



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Jesus at night. He brought about seventy-five pounds of perfumed ointment made from myrrh and aloes. ⁴⁰Following Jewish burial custom, they wrapped Jesus' body with the spices in long sheets of linen cloth.







- Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever.
 You rule with a scepter of justice.
- You love justice and hate evil.
 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you, pouring out the oil of joy on you more than on anyone else.
- ⁸ Myrrh, aloes, and cassia perfume your robes.

Psalm 45:6-8a NLT



