

Epiphany – January 8, 2017

Matthew 2: 1 – 12



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The Visit of the Magi

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Matthew 2:11 (NIV)



Choose the word that best matches the definition.

- ___ 1. The wise men who searched for Jesus
A. Herod B. priests C. myrrh D. Magi
- ___ 2. To come into existence by birth
A. die B. born C. rule D. king
- ___ 3. A male ruler of a country
A. king B. queen C. prophet D. Magi
- ___ 4. A twinkling point of light in the night sky
A. earth B. star C. sun D. moon
- ___ 5. The direction which is opposite to west
A. east B. north C. star D. south
- ___ 6. To kneel or bend the head or body forward as a show of respect
A. born B. incense C. bow D. east
- ___ 7. Presents which are given without cost to the one receiving them
A. jewels B. rewards C. Magi D. gifts
- ___ 8. A valuable, shiny, yellow metal used to make coins and jewellery
A. incense B. silver C. gold D. myrrh
- ___ 9. A substance that is burned to produce a sweet smell
A. gold B. silver C. wax D. incense
- ___ 10. A substance with a strong smell which is used in making perfume
A. gold B. myrrh C. incense D. silver

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Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.



After Jesus was born in _____ in Judea, during the time of King Herod, _____ from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been _____ king of the Jews? We saw his _____ in the east and have come to _____ him."

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it _____ over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother _____, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of _____ and of _____ and of _____. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

Matthew 2: 1-2, 9-12 (NIV)

Bethlehem born	gold incense	Magi Mary	myrrh star	stopped worship
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The puzzle is based on Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV).

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PRIESTS
GOD
STAR
WORSHIPED

MYRRH
CHILD
MAGI
EAST

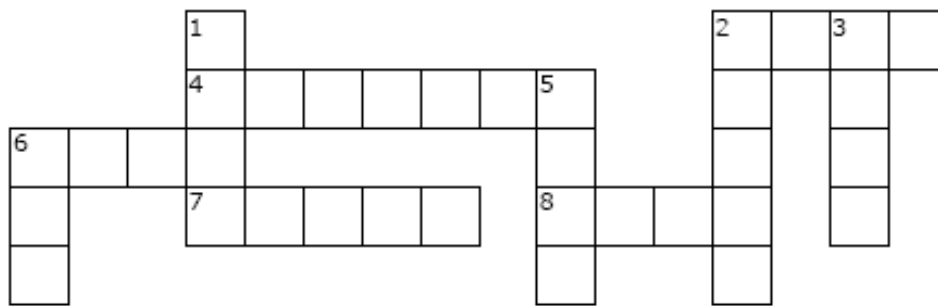
BETHLEHEM
HOUSE
TEACHERS
SEARCH

KING
INCENSE
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CHRIST
MARY
MOTHER
HEROD

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ACROSS

2. The wise men who visited Jesus and Mary and Joseph shortly after Jesus was born
4. A substance that is burned to produce a sweet smell
6. To come into existence by birth
7. Presents which are given without cost to the one receiving them
8. A twinkling point of light in the night sky

DOWN

1. A male ruler of a country
2. A sticky substance with a strong smell which is used in making perfume
3. A valuable, shiny, yellow metal used to make coins and jewellery
5. The direction which is opposite to west
6. To kneel or bend the head or body forward as a show of respect

MAGI
GIFTS

BOW
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INCENSE



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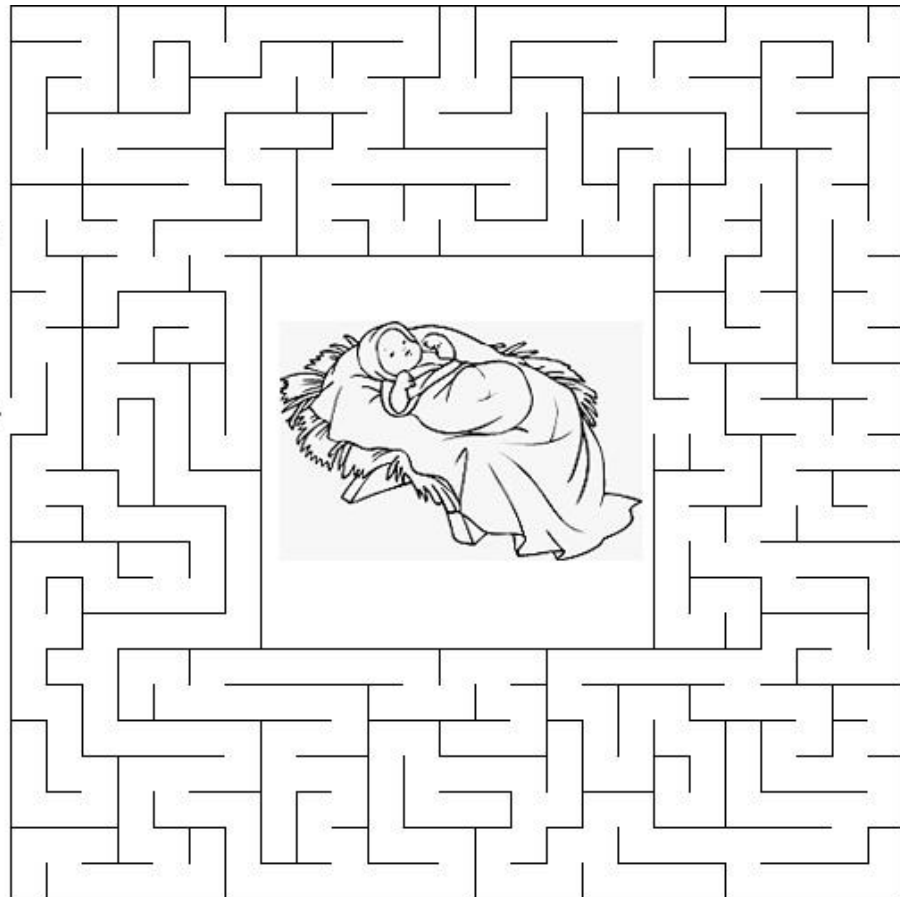
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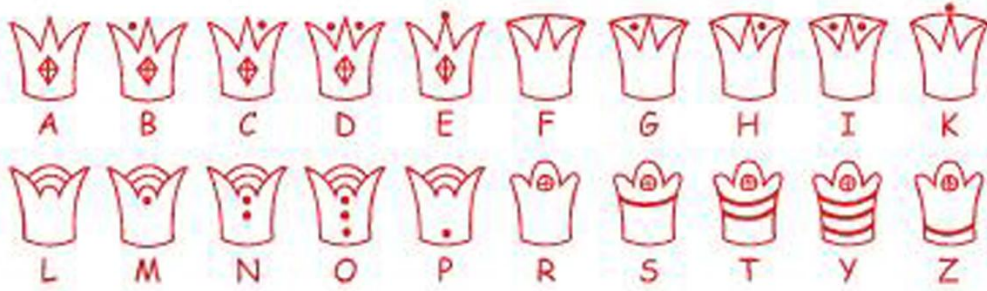
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Unscramble the words and then find the mystery answer. Here are some clues:

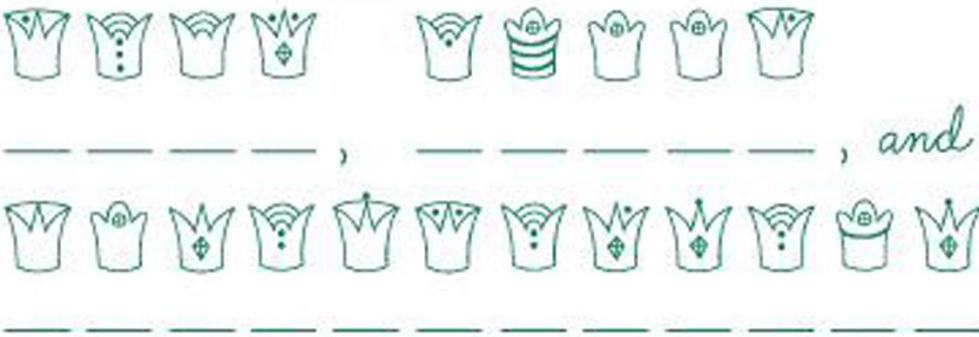
Gifts Star King Magi Worship East

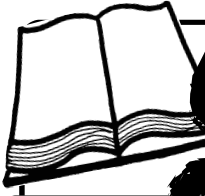


Three kings followed a star to Bethlehem so that they could honor the baby Jesus. Use the crown decoder to spell out the names of these three important visitors.



BONUS: Use the same decoder to figure out what gifts the kings brought.





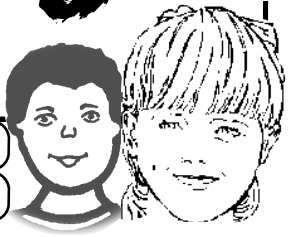
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Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 71
Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

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THE WISE MEN

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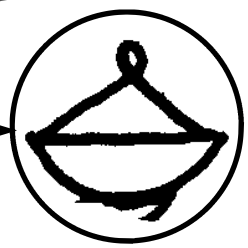
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Use *red* to colour the road the wise men took to visit Baby Jesus

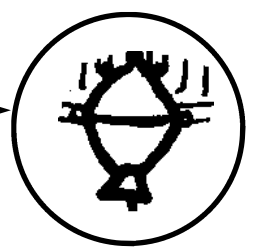
Use *green* to colour their way back

Colour in their 3 Gifts

GOLD



FRANKINCENSE



MYRRH

