

## Discussion Guide

Series: Advent: Light of the World, Wk5: Magi, Gifts fit for a King

December 28, 2025



### Big Idea

The New Testament reveals to us gifts fit for THE KING (Jesus) that we can gratefully give!



### Icebreaker

Have you already taken down your Christmas tree & decorations? If not, when do you typically do so?



### Discussion Questions

1. Read Matthew 2:1-12. What does the Magi's response reveal to us about who they believed Jesus to be? What did it take of/from them to present Him with these gifts? How does this challenge the way you approach Jesus/worship today?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 9:15. Trying to stretch accurately, but beyond the "Sunday school answers" and getting to the FULLNESS of the gift, what is the indescribable gift of God? In considering all of this, what is an appropriate heart-posture for us to have in considering our gifts to God? In what ways can our cultural habits around giving either reflect, or distract from, the appropriate depth of our gift giving to the King?
3. Read 1 Peter 2:9. What are some ways in which the early church, and even our New Testament writers, "declared His praises"? What are some practical ways we can "declare His praises" today, including in everyday situations, especially when life may feel difficult or ordinary?
4. Read John 14:23 & 15:9-12. Fill in the following blank: O \_\_\_\_\_ is a gift fit for the King, Jesus. Is the kind of obedience that Jesus describes to be rooted in trust or in earning salvation, and what Biblical evidence can you give for your answer? Why is it sometimes hard to see obedience as an act of love instead of the burden of restriction?
5. Read Romans 12:1. What are your initial responses to this passage & why? What areas of your life (time, finances, relationships, plans, other) are hardest to surrender to God, and why? As we move through Christmas and into the New Year, what would it look like for you personally to offer "the gift of your life" to God in a fresh or more intentional way?



### Concluding Question

What plans do you have to participate in our upcoming journey as a church through "The Bible Recap" series? In other words, do you plan to do the daily readings & view the supporting videos or only to take in the sermons? And if you plan to do the readings/videos (about 20 minutes/day) when & where may you do this? Access the resource for this using the QR Code here:



### Prayer

Pray as we begin this new sermon series as a church. That as we *binge on Jesus* many lives, including our own, will be transformed! Remember, we are to begin the reading/videos on Monday, 12/29.