

# WHAT TO GET THE PERSON THAT HAS EVERYTHING?



# THREE KINGS???

- **The Magi Visit the Messiah**

<sup>2</sup> After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi<sup>[a]</sup> from the east came to Jerusalem <sup>2</sup> and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”

<sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup> “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:

6 ““But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for out of you will come a ruler  
who will shepherd my people Israel.’<sup>[b]</sup>”

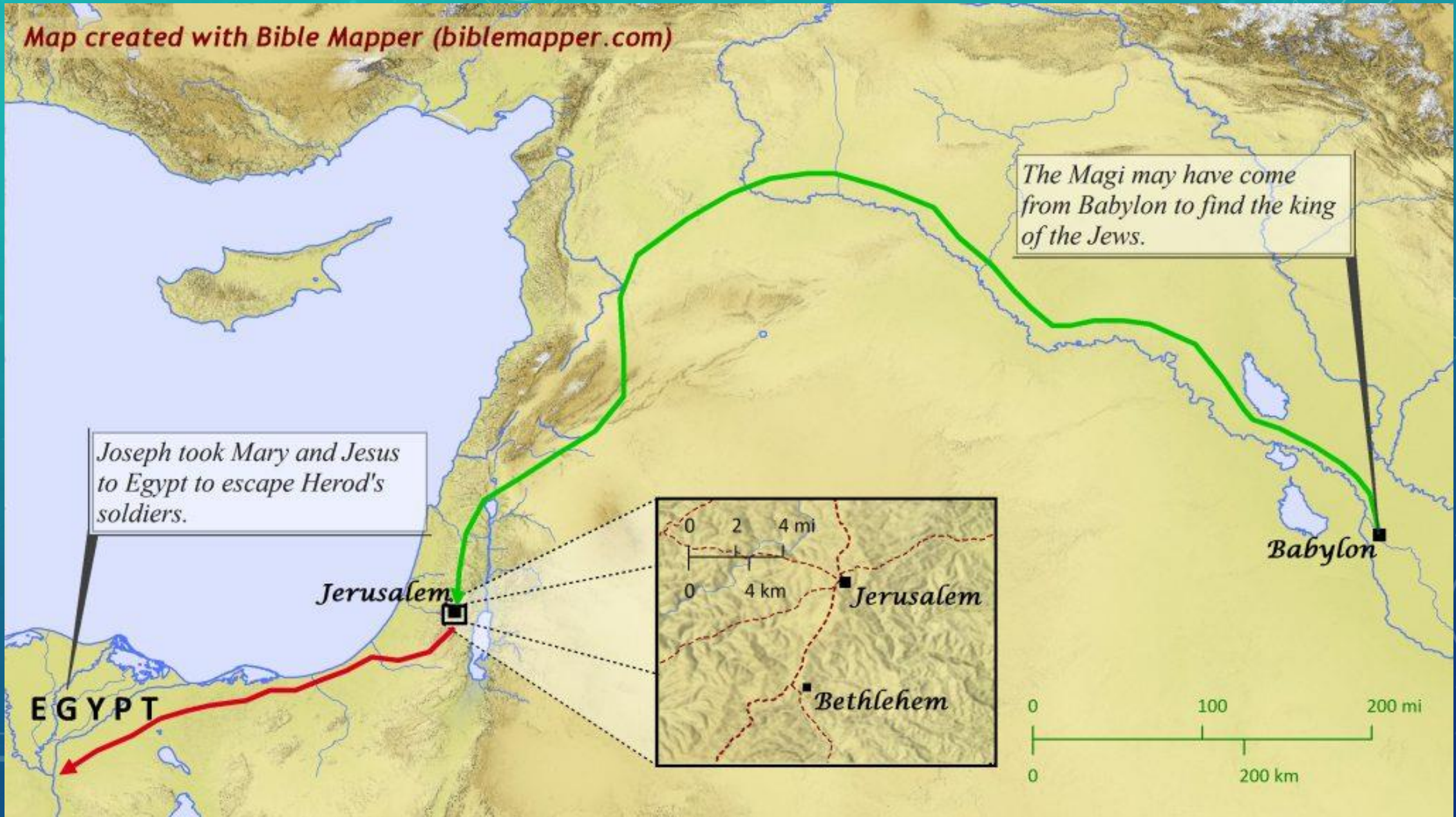
7 Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. 8 He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.”

<sup>9</sup> After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. <sup>11</sup> On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

# WHO WERE THE MAGI?

- **6** <sup>[a]</sup>It pleased Darius to appoint 120 satraps to rule throughout the kingdom, <sup>2</sup> with three administrators over them, one of whom was Daniel. The satraps were made accountable to them so that the king might not suffer loss. <sup>3</sup> Now Daniel so distinguished himself among the administrators and the satraps by his exceptional qualities that the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom.

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25 “Know and understand this: From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One,<sup>[f]</sup> the ruler, comes, there will be seven ‘sevens,’ and sixty-two ‘sevens.’ It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble.

Daniel 9:25

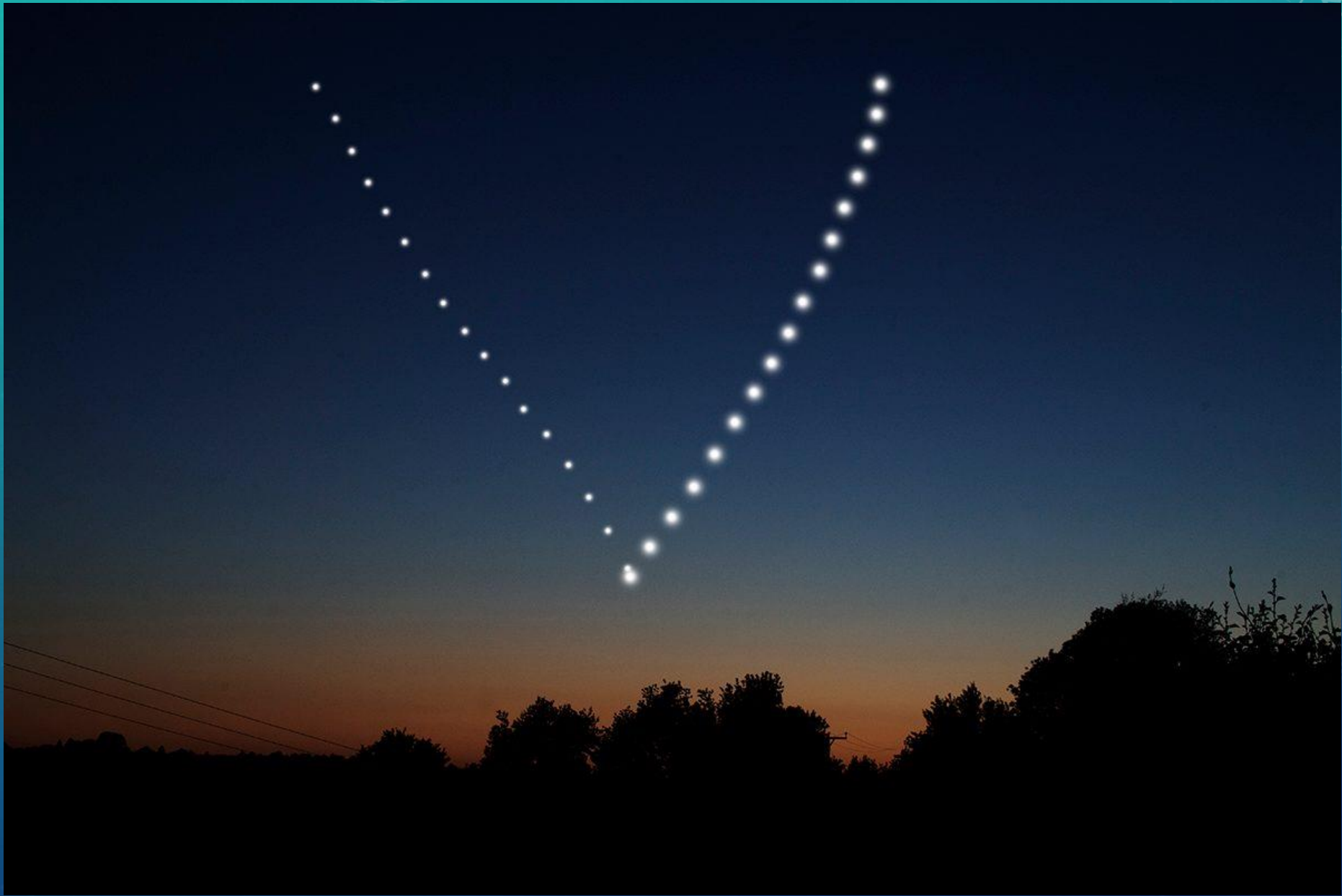


## THE STAR

<sup>14</sup> And God said, “Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, <sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth.” And it was so.

Genesis 1:14 and 15

- Possibly a Planet Conjunction or Comet



# GIFT FOR A KING - GOLD



- 1. The Levitical, or sacred tithe (Num. 18: 21-24).

<sup>21</sup> “I give to the Levites all the tithes in Israel as their inheritance in return for the work they do while serving at the tent of meeting. <sup>22</sup> From now on the Israelites must not go near the tent of meeting, or they will bear the consequences of their sin and will die. <sup>23</sup> It is the Levites who are to do the work at the tent of meeting and bear the responsibility for any offenses they commit against it. This is a lasting ordinance for the generations to come. They will receive no inheritance among the Israelites. <sup>24</sup> Instead, I give to the Levites as their inheritance the tithes that the Israelites present as an offering to the Lord. That is why I said concerning them: ‘They will have no inheritance among the Israelites.’”

- 2. The tithe of the feasts (Deut. 14:22-27).

<sup>22</sup> Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year. <sup>23</sup> Eat the tithe of your grain, new wine and olive oil, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks in the presence of the Lord your God at the place he will choose as a dwelling for his Name, so that you may learn to revere the Lord your God always. <sup>24</sup> But if that place is too distant and you have been blessed by the Lord your God and cannot carry your tithe (because the place where the Lord will choose to put his Name is so far away),

- <sup>25</sup> then exchange your tithe for silver, and take the silver with you and go to the place the Lord your God will choose. <sup>26</sup> Use the silver to buy whatever you like: cattle, sheep, wine or other fermented drink, or anything you wish. Then you and your household shall eat there in the presence of the Lord your God and rejoice. <sup>27</sup> And do not neglect the Levites living in your towns, for they have no allotment or inheritance of their own.

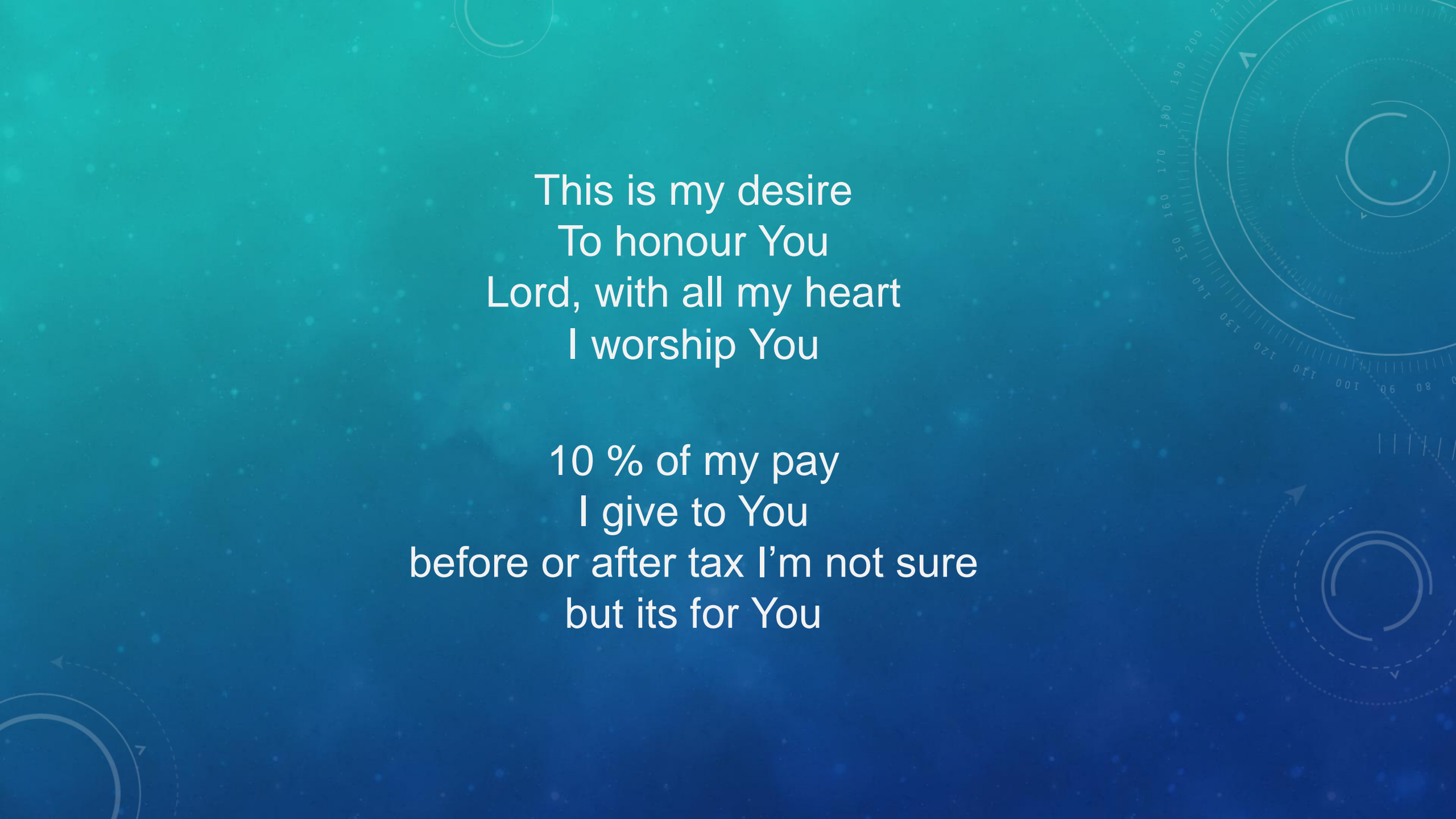
- 3. The tithe for the poor (Deut. 14:28, 29).

<sup>28</sup> At the end of every three years, bring all the tithes of that year's produce and store it in your towns, <sup>29</sup> so that the Levites (who have no allotment or inheritance of their own) and the foreigners, the fatherless and the widows who live in your towns may come and eat and be satisfied, and so that the Lord your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.

- “In tithes and offerings. <sup>9</sup> You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me.<sup>10</sup> Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. <sup>11</sup> I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the Lord Almighty.<sup>12</sup> “Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the Lord Almighty.

Malachi 3:9-12





This is my desire  
To honour You  
Lord, with all my heart  
I worship You

10 % of my pay  
I give to You  
before or after tax I'm not sure  
but its for You

<sup>43</sup> Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup> They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in EVERYTHING—all she had to live on.”

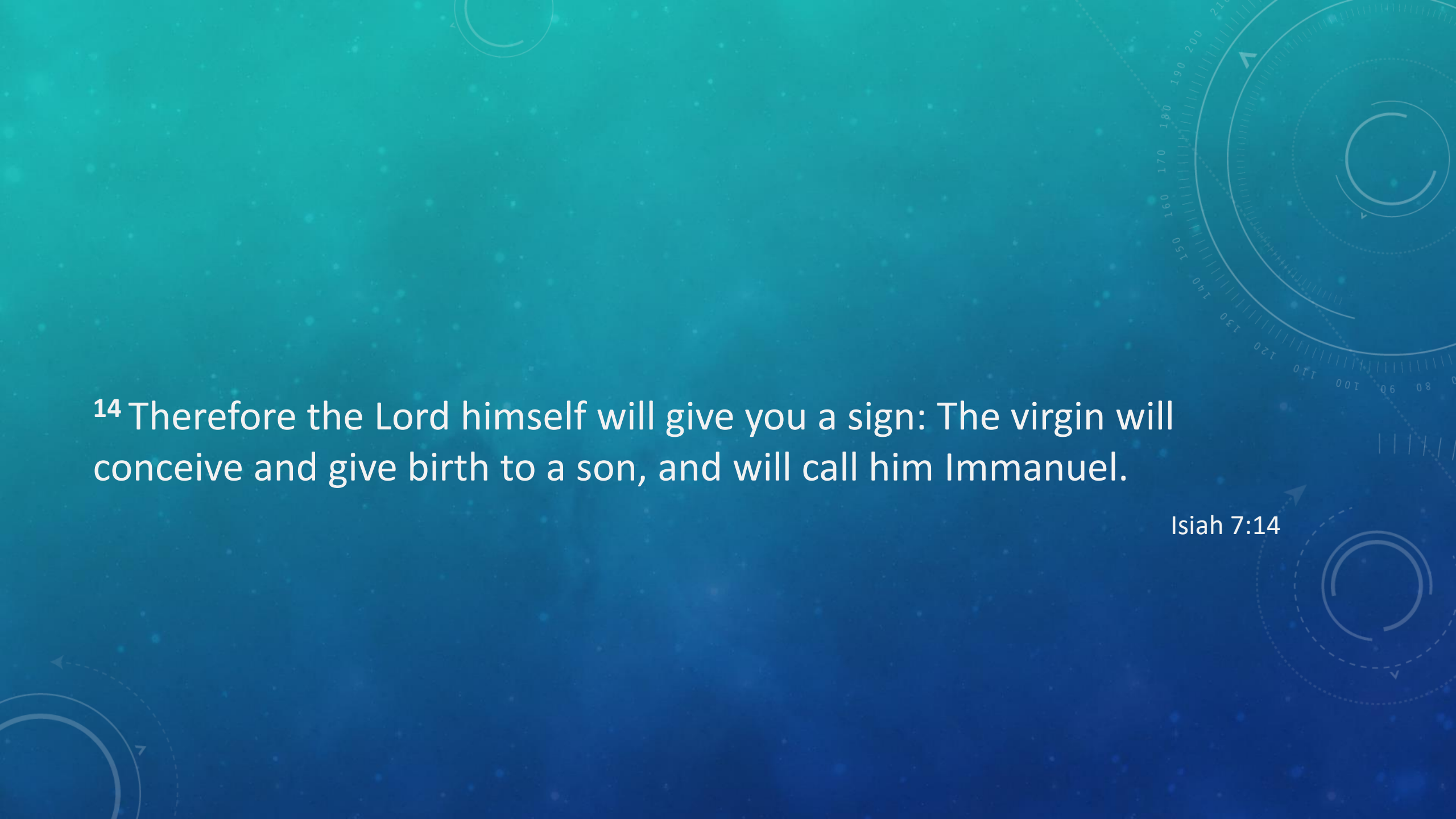
Mark 12:43 and 44

# A GIFT FOR A GOD - FRANKINCENSE



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- Used as part of offerings to God in the Old covenant
- Never allowed to be associated with sin offerings
- Known to have anti-inflammatory and anesthetic properties i.e. healing properties



**14** Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

Isiah 7:14

# A GIFT FOR THE DEAD - MYRRH



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- Used for embalming and hiding the stench of death
- Used to anoint high priests and kings of Israel
- Also was used for medicinal purposes and continues to be used today

<sup>26</sup> After the sixty-two 'sevens,' the Anointed One will be put to death and will have nothing.<sup>[g]</sup> The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed. <sup>27</sup> He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.'<sup>[h]</sup> In the middle of the 'seven'<sup>[i]</sup> he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And at the temple<sup>[i]</sup> he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.

[Daniel 9:26](#) *Or death and will have no one; or death, but not for himself*

Daniel 9:26 and 27



## SO WHAT DO THE GIFTS SHOW US

- Glorious now behold him arise;  
King and God and sacrifice:  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
sounds through the earth and skies.
- Anointed king again,
- God who heals and is without sin
- Heals all through his sacrifice and death!

# SO WHAT DO YOU GET THE ONE WHO HAS EVERYTHING?

- NOTHING
  - – He doesn't need your money, your praise, adoration or worship!
- EVERYTHING
  - – He deserves your money, your praise, adoration or worship!

# SO WHAT DO YOU GET THE ONE WHO HAS EVERYTHING?

- Give what you have got!
- Give your best!
- Do what you can!
- Share him with family and friends!



