



1. The Magi brought gifts for a _____.

¹ After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² 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." . . . ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Matthew 2:1-2; 11

- Jesus is the Messiah, the King of Kings, and is due honor and worship from every person, Jew or Gentile.

2. The Magi didn't keep _____ about Christmas.

³⁸ "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" ⁴⁰ "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." Luke 19:38-40

- Worshippers will encounter two types of responses to Jesus this Christmas: indifference and _____.

I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. Romans 1:16

3. The Magi gave expecting nothing in _____.

- Worshippers honor Jesus with sacrificial gifts.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

Matthew 25:40

A Worshippers Guide to Giving Gifts:

- Give more than you expect to _____.

- Give out of _____, not out of obligation.

⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. II Corinthians 9:7-8

- Give costly treasures money can't _____.

Next Steps:

- Memorize Acts 20:35 or II Corinthians 9:7.
- Bring your best gifts to Jesus this Christmas.
- Share the Good News of Christmas unashamedly.
- Join us for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 4:30 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. and on Christmas Day at 10:50 a.m.