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# The Gift of Gold

This past weekend Pastor Ken started our Christmas series, *The Gift*. Together with Pastor Ken we will look at the three different gifts that the wise men brought and what they meant in the life of Jesus. Over the next three weeks, we invite you to journey with someone at work, your family, or find a place to do it alone or with a friend. Let's enjoy this holiday season together and remember that Jesus is the reason for the season

*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. Matthew 2:11*

1. The first gift from the wise men was Gold because Jesus was the king that the world had been waiting for. The one we were created to connect with and to serve (read Psalm 2:6; Revelation 19:16).
2. There are lots of things that compete for our devotion like power, success, status, the approval of others or the most fundamental rival of *self*. We need to give God his rightful place in our lives. So the best way to start out the coming year is to make Jesus our king.
3. Jesus left His throne to come to earth to show us how much we matter to Him and to win our love.
4. When we carry the demands, problems, and burdens of life, it's like we are carrying the world on our own shoulders, but we can take that weight and put it on the shoulders of Jesus (read Isaiah 9:6 and Matthew 11:28-29).
5. Is that what you need to do today? You can take the weight that is on your shoulders and put it into His hands. Let Him take that from you right now.

Close in Prayer