

Myrrh: A Gift Fit for a Savior

The Three Gifts #3 – Pastor Gary Combs – 12/21/14 – John 1:29-37

John 1:29-37 (ESV) ²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." ³⁵The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.

Three ways to give Jesus the gift of myrrh this Christmas:

1. Understand Christ's purpose for _____.

Revelation 13:8 (KJV) ... the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Genesis 3:14-15 (KJV) And the Lord God said unto the serpent, .. I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

1 Corinthians 5:7 (NIV) ... For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.

2. Recognize Christ's _____.

Matthew 16:15-17 (ESV) ... "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.

Genesis 22:8 (NIV) Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb ...

3. Receive Christ's _____.

Romans 3:22-25 (NIV) This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. ...

1 Peter 2:24 (ESV) He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

Romans 4:3 (ESV) For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness."