

The Gift



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Part 2: It's Hard to Believe

“When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! They entered the house and saw the child with His mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave Him gifts of gold and frankincense, and myrrh.” (Matthew 2:10-11)

The Problem

“All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We left God’s path to follow our own.” (Isaiah 53:6)

- Sheep are _____
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The Answer

"All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's path to follow our own. Yet the Lord laid on the sins of us all. He was oppressed and treated harshly, yet He never said a word. He was led like a lamb to the slaughter." (Isaiah 53:6-7)

"He was despised and rejected – a man of sorrows, acquainted with the deepest grief ... Yet it was our weaknesses He carried; it was our sorrows that weighed Him down. And we thought His troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for His own sins! He was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed." (Isaiah 53:3-5)

"Unjustly condemned, He was led away ... He had done no wrong and had never deceived anyone. But He was buried like a criminal; He was put in a rich man's grave ... And because of His experience, My Righteous Servant will make it possible for many to be counted righteous, for He will bear all their sins." (Isaiah 53:8-11)

"The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the teachers of the law, and He must be killed and on the third day be raised to life." (Luke 9:22)

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father, except through Me!" (John 14:6)