

Dear Student;

Advent is the start of the church year. It is followed by the 12 day celebration of Christmas. Christmas ends with the Feast of Epiphany and is followed by the Sundays after Epiphany, also known as Ordinary time.

Epiphany means several things. It means the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles (no-Jewish people) as represented by the Magi (Matthew 2:1–12). It also refers to the festival commemorating the Epiphany on January 6. And it means a moment of sudden revelation or insight.

In your packet you will find a book about one of the gifts given to baby Jesus by the Magi (Magi are also referred to as the Three Wise Men or the Three Kings). This book is a good one to read to an adult.

If you were bringing a gift to the baby Jesus, what gift would you bring?

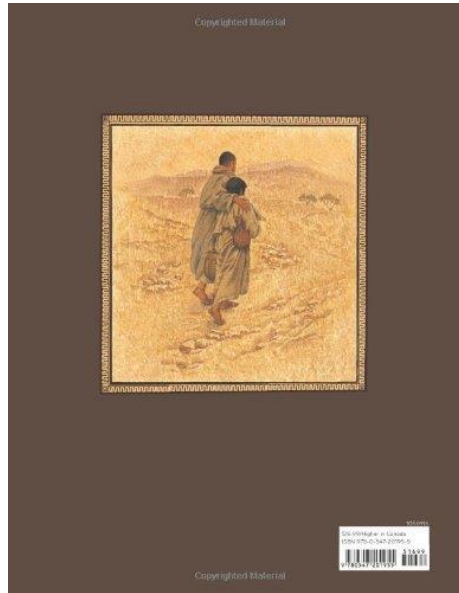
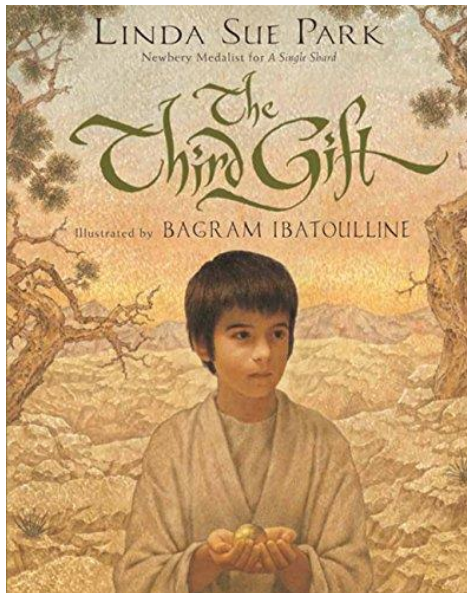
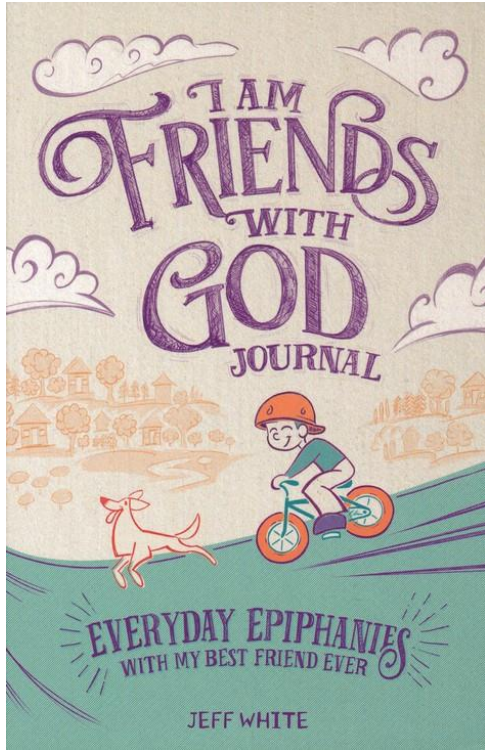
As you journey through the year, think about how the Magi's story is like our own story. The Magi were searching for the King of Kings. Jesus is also known as the Prince of Peace, Mighty God, Wonderful Counselor, Everlasting Father. These are big names for a small baby. In your packet is a fun craft with the Names of Jesus.

There is a journal for you for the new year. It will introduce you to many different people in the bible and, hopefully, give you insights or epiphanies throughout the year.

Happy Epiphany!

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Included in the packet was a Names of Jesus craft and the following books:



These books can be purchased at Christianbook.com and/or Amazon.com.