

The Three Kings and Presents for Jesus

The first people to bring presents to Baby Jesus were—the Three Kings or Magi!



But they did NOT come on Christmas! **When did they come?** _____

The Adventure Guides explain it in a special video today.

WATCH this VIDEO at www.AdventAdventure.com, then complete the rest of this page!



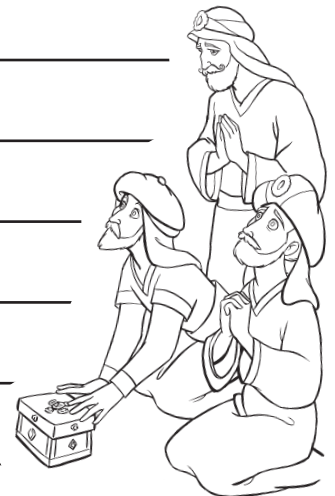
How can you give presents to Jesus? The Adventure Guides have some nifty ideas about this in another video you can **WATCH** today.



Why don't you give some presents to Jesus, too? After all, it is **His** birthday we're going to be celebrating.

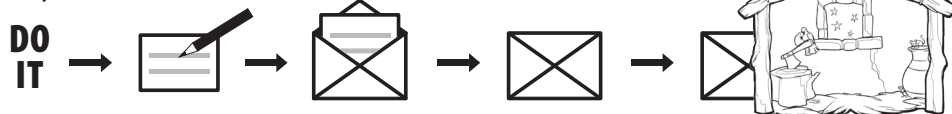
HERE'S HOW TO DO IT:

#1 On the lines below **WRITE** some ideas for "**presents for Jesus**" that you can still do before Christmas day:



#2 Then, when you "**DO**" each present, **WRITE** it down on a slip of paper and **PUT** it in an **ENVELOPE**.

Then, put the envelope behind the stable—and open it up when Christmas morning arrives to see what your family gave to Baby Jesus!



O Antiphons!

Time to change our focus a bit, in preparation for Christmas Day!

After the 3rd Sunday of Advent, we change our focus from the **“Second Coming”** of Jesus into the world in the future to His **“First Coming”**—on Christmas Day as a baby in a stable long ago. Of course, the Blessed Virgin Mary was carrying Him around in her womb for 9 months before He was born, and some people already recognized Him then! Do you know who those people were? _____

With the beginning of the **“O Antiphons,”** which begin on Dec 17th each year, we really begin to turn our attention to the celebration of Christmas by contemplating the wonder of His Birth through the eyes of those who had been waiting all those years for the Messiah God had promised to send.

To get you ready for Dec 17, when we’ll begin the “O Antiphons,” try to **FIND** all the words in the **WORD SEARCH** below!

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WORDS & PHRASES TO FIND

Advent	Magnificat	O Flower of Jesse	O Radiant Dawn	Prayers	Seven
December	Messiah	O Key of David	O Wisdom	Promise	Vespers
Isaiah	O Emmanuel	O Lord of Lords	O King of Nations	Prophecy	

DAVID, the Shepherd and King

You've heard Jesus called the "Son of David," haven't you? Well, today, we learn about David!



READ 1 Samuel chapters 16-17.



READ the Picture Bible pages 281-362.

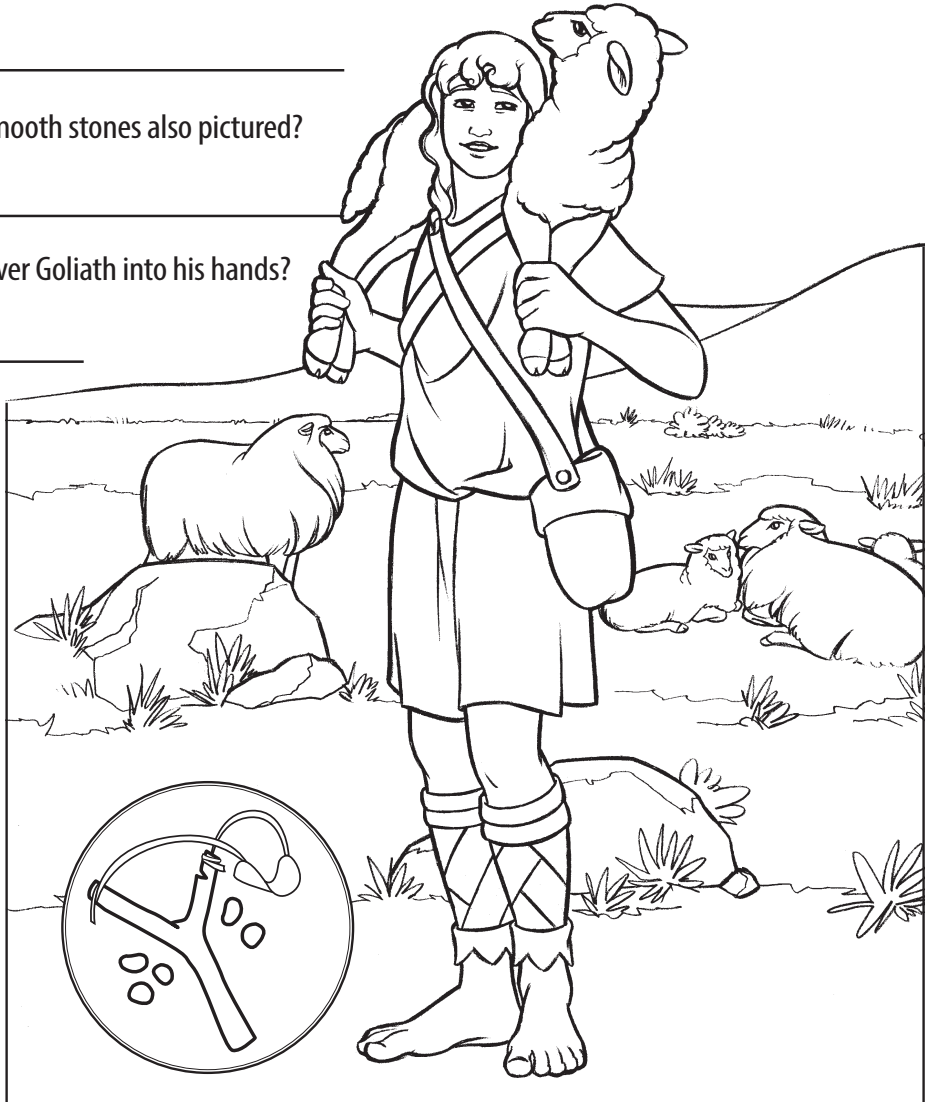
Why is a harp pictured near David?

Why is a crown also pictured?

Why is a slingshot with five smooth stones also pictured?

Who did David say would deliver Goliath into his hands?

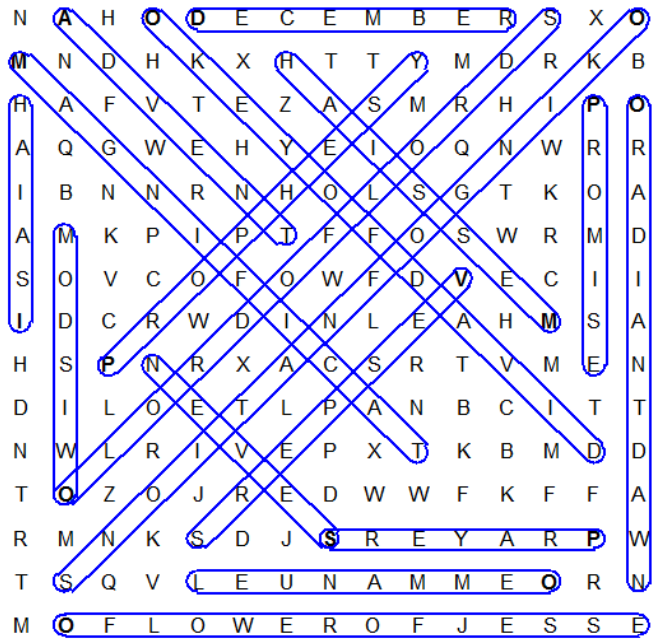
COLOR the picture of David as a shepherd, and the harp, the crown, and the slingshot with smooth stones.



FRIDAY / December 18 – ANSWER KEY

O Antiphons

Who recognized Jesus before He was born: John the Baptist (in his mother’s womb), Elizabeth, and Saint Joseph



Jesse: Crack the code

- Bethlehem
- Jesse
- Anoint
- Seven
- Field
- Sheep
- Anoint
- David
- Jesus

David

1. David played the harp (and it helped calm King Saul).
2. David became the King of Israel.
3. David killed Goliath with a slingshot.
4. God!