

The Fragrances of the King

*Because of the fragrance of your good ointments, Your name is ointment poured forth;
Therefore the virgins love you. Song 1:3
The very mention of your name is like spreading perfume (CEV)*

Fragrance	Scriptures	Meaning
Myrrh	Es. 2:12 Ps. 45:8 Song 1:13 Matt. 2:11	Death to self; purification; preparation We perfume the Lord and the world with myrrh when we live Paul's words: <i>I myself no longer live, but Christ lives in me. So I live my life in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (NLT) Gal. 2:20 (Also: Phil. 1:21)</i> Even in the midst of every disappointment, betrayal, loss, sickness, trial, death, sorrow, need, pain, frustration
Frankincense	Ex. 30:34-35 Song 3:6 Matt. 2:11	Holiness; sacrifice; intercession We perfume the Lord and the world with frankincense when we choose holiness and prayer as a way of life: <i>...so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. Rom. 6:19 Give to the Lord the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him. Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Ps. 29:2</i>
Aloes	Ps. 45:8	Costly worship — the lifestyle of worship; Healing We perfume the Lord and the world with Aloes when we sell out for Him like David: <i>...nor will I offer burnt offerings to the LORD my God with that which costs me nothing 2Sam. 24:24 (Also: Matt. 13:44-46)</i>
Cassia	Ps. 45:8	Kingly humility; Overcoming life We perfume the Lord and the world when we humbly walk as overcomers: <i>To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. Rev. 3:21 ...and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble. 1Pet. 5:5 (Also: Micah 6:8)</i>
Cedar of Lebanon	Ps. 92:12 Song 4:11	Strength; permanence; wholeness; restoration We perfume the Lord and the world with cedar when we prosper through righteousness: <i>The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Ps. 92:12</i>
Henna	Song 1:14 Ps. 51:17	Emotional tenderness We perfume the Lord and the world with Henna when we display the tenderness and fruitfulness of the fruit of the Spirit. (Gal. 5:22) Allow His likeness to be engraved on you: <i>Is. 44:5 Some will proudly claim, 'I belong to the Lord.' Others will say, 'I am a descendant of Jacob.' Some will write the Lord's name on their hands (God's property—M.) and will take the honored name of Israel as their own. (NLT)</i>
Spikenard	Song 1:12 Song 4:13-14 Matt. 26:1-16 Mk. 14:3 Jn. 12:2-3	Intimacy; extravagant worship; passionate worship; pure; genuine; light; fire of love We perfume the Lord and the world with spikenard when we pour out our hearts in worship...when we allow worship to become a fire of devotion that never goes out <i>"But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. Jn. 4:23</i>

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*Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ,
and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. 2Cor. 2:14*