

Sermon Based Questions

"The Gift Part 1 - Jesus Our High Priest" - Nathan Blais December 7, 2025

This week we examined the gift of **frankincense**, and how it points to Jesus as our **High Priest**—the one who represents us before God and reveals God to us. We also looked at the tabernacle, the priest's garments, and how Jesus provides us bold access to the Father as our High Priest.

Share

- 1. Are you someone who is thoughtful in gift giving or someone who struggles to find the right gift? Share an example.
- 2. The smell of frankincense would have reminded Jewish people of the tabernacle. What smell reminds you of a particular place?

Discuss

- 3. What stood out to you most from this week's message?
- 4. Read Hebrews 4:14-16. How did the Old Testament priest act as a "representative" for the people and God, and why was that necessary? How does Jesus fulfill this role according to the text?
- 5. **Read Exodus 28:1–4.** Which part of the priest's garments (white robes, bells, ephod, breastplate with stones with the tribes' names) stood out to you, and what does it reveal about God or His people?

Reflect

- 6. **Read Leviticus 1:3–4.** How does the image of laying hands on the sacrifice and taking its life shape the way you view the seriousness and price of your sin?
- 7. The priest represented the people before God and represented God to the people. How does Jesus fulfill both of these roles for us as our Great High Priest?

Apply

8. How might you approach your heavenly father differently (boldly / with confidence) in light of the fact that you have access through the finished work of Christ? How might you pray differently? Act differently? Trust differently? Given this knowledge.

