

# Spiked With Gold

*A riddle from the Lord:*

Spiked with gold\*  
Tipped with blood\*\*  
The waters are rising  
Here comes the flood

\* *Royal crowns.*

\*\* *Moses put blood on the tips of the right ears of the priests during their ceremony of consecration and ordination (Leviticus 8:24).*

*“But you shall be called the priests of the Lord; people will speak of you as the ministers of our God. You shall eat the wealth of the nations, and the glory [once that of your captors] shall be yours.*

*For as [surely as] the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring forth, so [surely] the Lord God will cause rightness and justice and praise to spring forth before all the nations [through the self-fulfilling power of His word].”*

*Isaiah 61:6,11 (NIV)*