

## THE GIFT OF JESUS

**John 10:28, "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."**

Of all the gifts that could be given at Christmas time, all of them pale in comparison to the ultimate gift that Jesus desires to give to all mankind- the gift of eternal life. Down deep within the heart of mankind he knows that he is not only going to live in this world but he is going to continue to live. He knows he is going to live for all of eternity because God has programmed him to know that he is an eternal being. We are a soul clothed with human flesh. There will come a time when this physical body will die and the soul will take up its residence in it's eternal destination based on what a person had done with Jesus. Religions of the world, that deny Jesus is the Son of God, God come in human flesh, still believe that you live in another world. Some religions teach reincarnation, some teach you may come back as another person, because the human heart has been programmed by God to know that there is another world after this world. The greatest gift that a person can ever have is the gift of eternal life.

Eternal life is just that... a life that never ceases, slows down, comes to a close. Notice that Jesus didn't promise us "term life", but "eternal life". Life that will by its very definition NEVER stop. And it begins when a person accepts Christ.

It is a life that is filled to the brim with real living. That is exactly what is going on in heaven at this moment. All saint and friends that we know that have gone on before us are really living and enjoying life to its maximum- because that is what Jesus is all about. He doesn't come just to give us another location to live in, but He comes to give us life to its ultimate and absolute maximum...and that life is found in a person...Jesus Christ. As you enjoy this Christmas season, let us enjoy the wonder and the gift of Jesus...a Person, who lives inside all who have been saved by grace through faith.

If you do not have Jesus in your heart, you can even now. God loves you and has a wonderful plan for your life, and it begins at the point of salvation. Salvation begins with belief in God's gift of Jesus, and what He did at the cross and through a simple prayer:

"Lord Jesus, I know that I do not have eternal life, I know that I am lost. But I believe Jesus you died for my sins, and I choose right now to place my faith in You, and invite you into my heart to be my Lord and Savior. I invite you into my heart right this moment, and I mean this prayer with all my heart." In Jesus I pray. Amen.

**And Jesus promises is this to you... Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Rom. 10:13)**