

CHRISTMAS FOR THE KING'S CHILDREN

The Creator of Heaven and Earth, The Lord of Lords and King of Kings has made Himself our Heavenly Father, *Abba Father*, for those who choose to receive His Son as Savior. John 1:12 says: *Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.*—NIV

In this Christmas lesson we will be celebrating the risen Christ and “opening up” the gifts we have been given through Him. Let’s imagine ourselves sitting at His feet and receiving gift after gift as He calls out our name and places His perfect presents into our waiting arms.

Let’s pray before we begin.

Dear Lord, Our finite minds can never understand what an infinite, awesome God you are. You created everything that is. You created humankind to lavish Your love upon and when we chose to sin instead of living in obedience to You, You sent us a Savior! Help us, Lord, through the study of Your Word to know You better and to truly accept Your gift into our hearts. Help us to live in a way that is pleasing to You.

In the wonderful name of Jesus, Amen.

Now let’s start opening our gifts! I believe that the best gifts are from the ones that really know me and love me. No one knows us better than our Lord and no one could love us more.

The first gift we are going to open is our Bible. This is God’s Word to us. **The Creator of all things has put His words on paper so that we might know Him!** From the history of humankind in the Old Testament, to the revelation of Jesus Christ in the New Testament, He is telling us who He is and how He cares for us. If we choose to listen, **we can hear the words of God.** The Bible, His Word, is a present that we can open every day if we choose to do so.

1. What is your response to someone who picks sections from the Bible as believable and relevant to their lives but discounts other Scripture as the writer’s opinion? Please read 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

As we open His Word, we find a multitude of gifts. He blesses us as only the perfect Father can.

2. John 3:16-17 tells us of the immeasurable love of our God. Please read these verses and write out what they mean to you.

3. What are the gifts we are given in Ephesians 1:7-8?

4. Why are these gifts necessary? (For more help read Romans 3:23 and 1 John 1:8-10)

5. Describe how the following verses minister to your heart.
 - a. Hebrews 4:15-16

 - b. Romans 8:13-15

6. The gift of the Holy Spirit is so amazing! Please respond to the following Scriptures.
 - a. Luke 11:13

 - b. Luke 12:11-12

 - c. John 14:15-17

 - d. John 14:26

 - e. Romans 8:9-11

