

Christmas 2010 Series
JESUS

- Dec 19 The Promise of Jesus – Before Foundation/World, Law, Good
Enough
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to God!
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The Blessings in Christ Jesus!

Romans 3:24 ²⁴being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

Romans 6:23 ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:1 ¹There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus,

1 Corin 1:2 To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus

1 Corinthians 15:22 ²²For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

2 Corinthians 1:21 ²¹Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God,

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

2 Corinthians 5:17 ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

Galatians 2:4 ⁴And this occurred because of false brethren secretly brought in (who came in by stealth to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus,

Galatians 3:26 ²⁶For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:28 ²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 1:3 ³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,

Ephesians 2:6-10 ⁶and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,

Ephesians 2:13 ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Ephesians 4:32 ³²And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

1 Timothy 1:14 ¹⁴And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 1:1 ¹Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,

* But what The Greatest Blessing In Christ? – The Love of God

* We give presents for a lot of wrong reasons – Give special presents for the right reason!

* Manifests our LOVE to that person!

* **Rom 8:38-39** ³⁸For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

John 3:16-17 ¹⁶For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

¹⁷For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

1. God's love for The World – John's Christmas Story

John 1:10-11 ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. ¹¹He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.

Isaiah 49:7 ⁷Thus says the Lord, The Redeemer of Israel, their Holy One, To Him whom man despises, To Him whom the nation abhors,

Isaiah 53:3 ³He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Psalms 22:6 ⁶...A reproach of men, and despised by the people.

But God...

John 1:12-13 ¹²But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: ¹³who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of (the will of) God.

2. His Son –

1 John 4:9-10 ⁹In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him...

¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Propitiation - an appeasing

1 John 2:2 ²And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours

only but also for the whole world.

* **Romans 5:8-10** ⁸But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. ¹⁰For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

Conclusion

* What kind of love does it take to love a world such as ours?

* How much love does it take to overcome being despised/rejected/abhorred attempting to save?

* True Agape love! Unconditional, self denying/sacrificing, other benefitting, Never ending

1 John 3:1 ¹Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!

Ephesians 2:4-5 ⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

* The greatest blessing in Christ – The Love of God in Christ Jesus!

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