

JESUS... EXPRESSES GOD'S LOVE
Christmas... Free For All – Part 4
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Galatians 4:4 (NIV) *“But when the time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under law.”*

John 3:16 (NIV) *“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”*

WHAT CHRISTMAS IS ALL ABOUT?

1. GOD'S _____ LOVE

“For God so loved the world”

1 John 4:9-10 (NIV) *“This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. ¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.”*

Romans 5:8 (NIV) *“But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”*

2. GOD'S _____ GIFT

“That He gave His one and only Son”

2 Corinthians 9:15 (NLT) *“Thank God for His Son—a gift too wonderful for words!”*

**You can give without loving,
but you cannot love without giving.**

Ephesians 1:4-8 (NIV) *“In love ⁵ He predestined us to be adopted as His sons through Jesus Christ... ⁶ to the praise of His glorious grace, which He has freely given us in the One He loves... ⁷ in accordance with the riches of God's grace ⁸ that He lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.”*

3. GOD'S _____ DELIVERANCE

“That whoever believes on Him shall not perish”

Mark 1:15 (NIV) *“The time has come... The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!”*

**Christmas is God saying, “I want to relate to you.
I want you to know Me as much as I know you.”**

John 14:6 (NIV) *“Jesus answered, ‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’”*

4. GOD'S _____ BLESSING

“But have eternal life”

Romans 6:23 (NIV) *“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

John 6:47 (NIV) *“I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life.”*

John 3:3 (TEV) *“I am telling you the truth: no one can see the Kingdom of God without being born again.”*

**You had no choice in being born...
but being born again is all your choice.**

1 John 4:7-8 (NIV) *“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.”*

**As you seek to understand what Christmas is all about...
You'll begin to express God's love to others.**

1 John 4:11-12 (NIV) *“Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and His love is made complete in us.”*

1 John 4:19 (NIV) *“We love because He first loved us.”*