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God's answer for the world's problems has never been material things. God did not give us more stuff – such as work, food, or health. He gave us himself—the most priceless and personal gift of all. When we give relationally during the Advent season, this is what we remember: it's an opportunity to worship as we remind each other of the gift given for our sake.

Big Idea: We give our lives to Jesus because He gave His life for us.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Do you enjoy Christmas gift exchanges? What is the worst Christmas gift you've ever received? What made it so terrible? What was the most meaningful gift you've ever received? What made it so meaningful?
2. With your Bible or Bible App, **read Matthew 22:15-21**
3. What is this passage teaching us about gifts? What does it mean to “give to God” what belongs to God?
4. In what areas of your life have you been holding back from God? In what areas have you given to “Caesar” instead of God?
5. What is Jesus teaching us in **Matthew 22:15-21** as it relates to the types of gifts He wants? How does giving our lives to Jesus connect to giving our lives to others?
6. When it comes to giving relationally, what most excites you? What will be the biggest challenge?
7. Notice what you're spending your time and energy on this Christmas season. Is it drawing you closer to God or distracting you from something else?
8. What choices do you need to make to ensure the Christmas season remains a time of focused worship?
9. When God's people serve in humble, generous ways, the story of Jesus is told again and again. Through our actions and attitudes, people will be reminded that the Creator of the universe loves them and He has not forgotten them. We radically love others because we have personally experienced the radical love of God. That changes our hearts and should change how we celebrate Christmas. Who can you come alongside this Christmas season?