

# Re-Gifting Christmas

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Re-Gifting – the act of giving a gift that someone gave you.

God gives us a GIFT; He gives us Jesus.

2 Corinthians 9:15 Thanks be to God for (Jesus) His indescribable gift!

Just as God is a giver, He wants us to be givers. The Apostle Paul said this –

remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, “It is **more blessed** to give than to receive.” Acts 20:35

God blesses us so we can bless others.

**God gives us Hope – let’s re-gift that.**

For someone stuck in a dark place the greatest comfort would be light. The light would bring hope.

Isaiah says – The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined. Isaiah 9:2

You could give hope to a child who has no food, that’d be a great re-gift.

**God gives us Peace – let’s re-gift that.**

**Peace with God** – God forgives us of our sins

Romans 5:1 Now that we have been put right with God through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Peace Within** – We receive His forgiveness and know we are accepted by Him

Philippians 4:6-7 Don’t worry about anything, but pray about everything. With thankful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God. Then, because you belong to Christ Jesus, God will bless you with peace that no one can completely understand. And this peace will control the way you think and feel.

**Peace with Others** – We offer forgiveness and we are able to be healed and free.

Ephesians 4:31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. 32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

You could share a testimony if God ever gave you peace; He did if you’re born again.

**God gives us Joy – let’s re-gift that.**

Luke 2:8 Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. 10 Then the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for behold, **I bring you good tidings of great joy** which will be to all people. 11 For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

We can tell people who are sad or discouraged that Sorrow doesn’t have to last forever

Psalms 30:5 ... weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.

**God gives us Love – let’s re-gift that.**

John 3:16 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.

God **DEMONSTRATES** His Love To Us

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

How has God ever demonstrated His love to you? You can re-gift it by telling your story or by sharing His Love with someone.

Now, may he God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in Hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. ROMANS 15:13

God's Gift To You Is Not Only A Present For The Present – It's A Present For Eternity!

Jesus didn't come to give you religion he came to give you a life – so unwrap the gift and enjoy all that Jesus came to bring to you.

If you have never received the gift from heaven do it today.