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Dirty Santa Wrapped in Disappointment

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John 14:27 NLT

Dir	ty Santa Gifts:
I.	Pressure. People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. 1 Timothy 6:9
II.	Pressure. "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap." Luke 21:34
III.	Pressure. O Lord, I have so many enemies; so many are against me. Psalm 3:1 NLT

Return and Exchange:

I.	Be I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and ever situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. Philippians 4:12
II.	Be Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:18
III.	Be Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon. Isaiah 58:10 NLT
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Dirty Santa Gifts:

I. Financial Pressure.

People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. **1 Timothy 6:9**

II. Emotional Pressure.

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III. Relational Pressure.

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I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. **Philippians 4:12**

II. Be Thankful.

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III. Be Generous.

Additional Notes.

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