

Your Christmas Gift December 24, 2016

Matthew 2:10-11

Give Jesus The Gift Of...

- 1. <u>Hallelujah</u> Mark 12:30, 1 Corinthians 10:31
- 2. <u>Guilt and Shame</u> Matthew 1:20-21, Matthew 9:2
- 3. <u>Worries and Cares</u> Luke 2:28-32, Romans 8:34-39, Matthew 4:16

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"The idea that there's a force of love and logic behind the universe is overwhelming to start with, if you believe it. Actually, maybe even far-fetched to start with, but the idea that that same love and logic would choose to describe itself as a baby born in straw and poverty is genius, and <u>brings me to my knees</u>, <u>literally</u>. To me, as a poet, I am just in awe of that. It makes some sort of poetic sense. It's the thing that makes me a believer, though it didn't dawn on me for many years." Bono

- 1. Who or what would you say has the central position in your life? Does that person or thing have the power to always love you, care for you, be with you, and look out for your best?
- 2. Jesus has promised to take your guilt and shame. Have you asked Him to forgive you?
- 3. Jesus has promised to take all your worries and cares. Have you trusted Him with them?
- 4. How do you think your life would change if Jesus really were the center of your life from which everything else flowed?

Prayer: Loving Father, I surrender to You today my everything; heart, soul, mind and strength. I say "Yes" to You today. I open all the secret places in my life to you and say, "Jesus, please take the central position of my life." I believe in You and receive Your love, forgiveness and leadership. I hold nothing back. This is my Christmas gift to You. Amen