



“God’s Indescribable Gift”

John 3:16-18
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Introduction.

How to have a merry Christmas and not miss what it should be all about.

"6 For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ." [2Co 4:6 NASB95]

1. The Son of God was _____ by God the Father. to _____ our sin.

- 🔊 "16 "For God so loved the world, that **he gave his only Son**, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. [Jhn 3:16 ESV]
- 🔊 "29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" [Jhn 1:29 ESV]

1. A father’s son is immeasurable in material _____.

"15 Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" [2Co 9:15 NASB95]

1. This adjective cannot function as an adjective and _____ the noun.

(1) This word is a hapax legomenon. It is only used **one** time in God’s word.

(2) _____ - anekdiēgētos, an-ek-dee-ay’-gay-tos - unspeakable; indescribable

2. The Son of God chose _____ to express His Father’s love for you.

"9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that **though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor**, so that you through His poverty might become rich." [2Co 8:9 NASB95]

2. “For God so loved the world that He gave”, — defines _____.

1. We celebrate by _____ gifts to one another because we learned from the Lord.

"35 "In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, '**It is more blessed to give than to receive.**'" [Act 20:35 NASB95]

2. When we give to others in need we express the _____ and very _____ of our God.

"17 One who is gracious to a poor man **lends to the LORD**, And He will repay him for his good deed." [Pro 19:17 NASB95]

3. When we lay up treasure in heaven it is a secure _____.

"19 "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, 20 but **lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven**, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal." [Mat 6:19-20 ESV]

1. There is a promise of a _____ harvest.

"6 Now this [I say,] he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." [2Co 9:6 NASB95]

2. Become a _____ giver.

"7 Each one [must do] just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for **God loves a cheerful giver.**" [2Co 9:7 NASB95]

4. A true celebration of Christmas must acknowledge who it is the Father _____.

17 For **God did** not **send his Son** into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. [Jhn 3:17 ESV]

1. The Son of God is "the _____ one of a kind".

18 **Whoever believes** in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed **in the name of the only Son of God.**" [Jhn 3:18 ESV]

2. The Son of God and the Father are one of the same _____.

"30 I and the Father are one." [Jhn 10:30 ESV]

(1) **Monogenes** is translated "**the only one of a kind** = **Mono** - only and **genes** = **kind, origin, race, or stock** - [τὸν υἱὸν τὸν **μονογενῆ**]

(2) The word for _____ is **gennao** and is translated to **father, begat or conceive** [γεννάω]

5. The Son and the Father are the same eternal divine _____.

"1 Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high," [Heb 1:1-3 ESV]

1. The Son of God with the Heavenly Father is the _____ distinction from all creatures.

"1 In the beginning was [previous to the beginning] the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made." [Jhn 1:1-3 ESV]

(1) **The Son of God was in His eternal state _____ to all of creation.**

(2) **The Son of God _____ all things.**

2. The Son of God shared _____ with the Father before the world was.

"5 And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you **before the world existed.**" [Jhn 17:5 ESV]

3. The eternal Son cannot be _____ as a part of creation and create all things.

3 **All things were made through him**, and without him was not any thing made that was made." [Jhn 1:1-3 ESV]

4. The Son of God could not _____ the universe without being eternal God.

"3 The Son is the radiance of his glory and the representation of his essence, and **he sustains all things by his powerful word**, and so when he had accomplished cleansing for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high." [Heb 1:3 NET]

6. The Father's begetting the Son of God is called _____.

"For as the Father hath life in Himself, even so gave He to the Son also to have life in Himself," Jn 5:26

1. The Father does not generate the _____ essence of the Son or the Son would not be eternal.

2. The Father does not create another _____ out of nothing and then communicate divine essence.

2. The Son of God was _____ the Son of Man.

"6 [Christ Jesus] who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, **being born in the likeness of men.** 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." [Phl 2:6-8 ESV]

1. Jesus was begotten by the _____.

"20 But as he [Joseph] considered these things [divorce], behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for **that which is conceived [begotten] in her is from the Holy Spirit.**" [Mat 1:20 ESV]

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2. Joseph became the _____ father but did not begat Jesus.

"16 And Jacob begat **Joseph the husband of Mary**, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ." [Mat 1:16 KJV]

1. Forty-two fathers begat sons _____ Joseph.

"17 So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations." [Mat 1:17 NASB95]

2. Father’s begat [_____ voice] but to Mary Christ was begotten [_____ voice].

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Conclusion

1. The Lord’s prayer for the _____ is to know

"1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, 2 since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 3 And this is eternal life, **that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.** 4 I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed." [Jhn 17:1-5 ESV]

2. The indescribable gift has _____ you _____ you to your Heavenly Father.

"1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ... 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of **the only Son [monogenes] from the Father**, full of grace and truth. ... 18 No one has ever seen God; God **the only Son [monogenes]**, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known." [Jhn 1:1-3, 14, 18 ESV]

3. If eternal life is to _____ the one true God ask God for the Holy Spirit.

1. Our Heavenly Father will give you the best Christmas gift, a deeper _____ of God.

"13 "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will [your] heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" [Luk 11:13 NASB95]

2. The Holy Spirit will _____ you into all truth.

"13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come." [Jhn 16:13 ESV]

4. "15 Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" [2Co 9:15 NASB95]