



The Gift of God

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Romans 6:23

Unwrapping the Gift now

“Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.”

John 17:3

*“Anyone who believes in the Son of God has this testimony in his heart... And this is the testimony: God **has given** us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He who has the Son **has life**; he who does not have the Son of God **does not have life.**”*

1 John 5: 10, 11

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Under Who’s Reign?

“For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God’s abundant provision of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.”

Romans 5:17

Hidden Consequences

Being Set Free

“Therefore, do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life.”

Romans 6: 12, 13

After the service, ask someone...

What have you learnt from today?

What can I pray for you?



Growth group questions

You will find it helpful to have heard the talk so why not listen at:

<http://leightonbaptists.org.uk/media-links/current-teaching/>

You may also want to re-watch the short video that was shown before the sermon: <https://gochattervideos.com/the-gift/>

1. Have you ever passed on a gift you've been given without first unwrapping it? How easy might it be for the Christmas season to pass you by without really thinking about the gift of Jesus?
2. Read Romans chapter 6, verse 23.
 - a) What are some of the amazing contrasts Paul highlights for us?
 - b) How might this verse help us share the gospel with someone?
3. Do you think people experience the 'wages of sin' in their lives today? What about Christians? Are they immune from this?
4. Have you ever offered to pay for a gift someone has tried to give you? Would it still be a 'gift' if they allowed you to pay for it?
5. Read Romans chapter 5, verse 17.

What must we 'receive' so that we can 'reign in life' through Jesus?
Are they separate gifts or all part of the same thing?
6. Read Romans 6, verses 12 and 13. Even though eternal life is a free gift, what responsibilities do we have as a result? Are you confident that you have received the gift of God? Pray for each other.

You may also like to pray for the events coming up over Christmas.