

# WHAT WILL YOU FIND AT CHRISTMAS?

Luke 2.12, 15; Matt. 2.1-2, 7.7

We spend most of our Christmas season searching – searching for the perfect gift, searching for bargains, searching for that just right decoration, searching for a parking spot. Many people, at the very first Christmas and many since, have missed Christmas for a variety of reason. What is it that we should be finding at Christmas?

This Christmas God wants to give you three Christmas gifts:

## 1. GOD WANTS YOU TO FIND FORGIVENESS

*Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a **Savior has been born** to you; he is Christ the Lord.* Luke 2.10-11

*All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives **forgiveness** of sins through his name.* Acts 10.43

*Therefore, my brothers, I want you to know that through Jesus the **forgiveness** of sins is proclaimed to you. Through him **everyone who believes** is justified from everything you could not be justified from by the law of Moses.* Acts 13.38-39

## 2. GOD WANTS YOU TO FIND PEACE OF MIND

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth **peace to men** on whom his favor rests.* Luke 2.14

*Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ.* Romans 5.1

*And the **peace of God**, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.* Philippians 4.7

*Great **peace** have they who love your law,  
and nothing can make them stumble.* Psalm 119.165

## 3. GOD WANTS YOU TO FIND ETERNAL LIFE

*I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the **salvation** of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: 'The righteous will live by faith.'* Romans 1.16-17; Habakkuk 2.4

<sup>39</sup> *You diligently study the Scriptures because you think that by them you possess **eternal life**. These are the Scriptures that testify about me,* <sup>40</sup> *yet you refuse to come to me to have life.* John 5.39-40

*Jesus answered, '**I am** the way and the truth and **the life**. No one comes to the Father except through me.'* John 14.6

<sup>14</sup> *The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

<sup>15</sup> *John testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, 'This was he of whom I said, He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'* <sup>16</sup> *From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.* <sup>17</sup> *For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.* <sup>18</sup> *No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known.* John 1.14-18