

The plan of salvation

Our Problem – SIN

*For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.
Romans 3:23*

For the wages of sin is death...Romans 6:23a

God's Only Solution – Jesus Christ

*...but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 6:23b*

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. Romans 5:8

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. John 3:16

My Response – Receive God's gift

If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved. Romans 10:9-10

*But to all who believed him and accepted him,
he gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12*

*Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door,
I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends. Revelation 3:20*

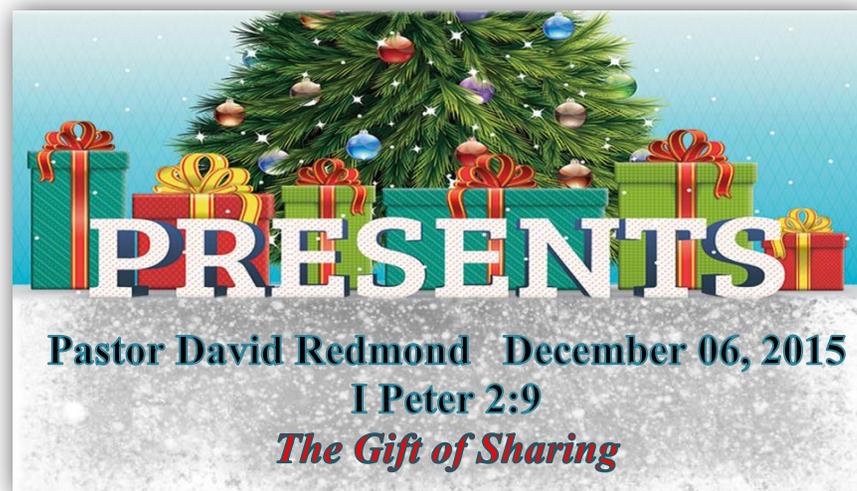
Admitt that I am a sinner and need God's forgiveness.

Believe that Jesus died on the cross and rose again for my sin.

Confess that Jesus Christ is the only way to God and commit to live for Him for the rest of my life.

Dear God: I admit that I am a sinner. I have done many things that don't please you. I have lived my life for myself. I am sorry and I turn from my sin. I ask you to forgive me. I believe that Jesus died on the cross for my sin and rose again to save me, and give me eternal life. You did what I could not do for myself. I come to you now and ask you to take control of my life, I give it to you. Help me to live every day in a way that pleases you. I love you, Lord, and I thank you that I will spend all eternity with you. I pray this in my Savior's name, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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**Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!
II Corinthians 9:15 (NAS)**

The people whom I formed for Myself
Will declare My praise. Isaiah 43:21 (NAS)

God's Christmas List:



**My _____ is on
God's _____.**

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son...

Christmas reminds me:

I _____ to _____!

*And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love...
I John 4:16a (NIV)*

God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. I John 4:9 (NLT)

*We love because he first loved us.
I John 4:19 (NIV)*



I am _____ on God's

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son...

The LORD appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness."

Jeremiah 31:2 (NIV)

I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. ²I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

Psalms 89:1-2 (NIV)

Christmas reminds me:

God's _____ ends!

The faithful love of the LORD never ends! His mercies never cease.

Lamentations 3:22 (NLT)



God's _____ is life.

But these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

John 20:31 (NAS)

And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. I John 5:11-13 (NIV)

I tell you the truth, those who listen to my message and believe in God who sent me have eternal life. They will never be condemned for their sins, but they have already passed from death into life.

John 5:24 (NLT)

Christmas reminds me:

The _____ must be _____!

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

I Peter 2:9 (NIV)

How do I present the gift of God to others?

My Christmas List:



Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. ³And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains.

Colossians 4:2-3 (NIV)



This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. I John 3:16 (NIV)



Jesus replied, "If you only knew the gift God has for you and who you are speaking to, you would ask me, and I would give you living water."

John 4:10 (NLT)



"Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" ³⁹Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony... ⁴²They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world." I John 4:29,39a;42 (NIV)

What does "_____" mean to you?

How would you describe it?

What are your hopes for your _____?

For your _____?