



## What gifts does Jesus want to give me?

Sunday, December 17, 2023 AVBC

1. \_\_\_\_\_ to replace \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

-Luke 2:10-9-11

*Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst. (I Timothy 1:15)*

*All the prophets testify about Him (Jesus) that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name. (Acts 10:43)*

2. \_\_\_\_\_ to replace anxiety and \_\_\_\_\_.

*Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. (II Thess. 3:16)*

*But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace... (Ephesians 2:13-14a)*

*Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about what happens to you. (I Peter 5:7) (NLT)*

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Life to replace the fear of \_\_\_\_\_.

- We are all going to \_\_\_\_\_
- We are going to spend more \_\_\_\_\_ on the other side of \_\_\_\_\_ than on this side

*Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord...who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. (II Tim. 1:8-10)*

>If you know Jesus, you don't have to fear \_\_\_\_\_

>If you know Jesus, you can anticipate \_\_\_\_\_.

## DIGGING DEEPER

(For use in personal/family devotions or with your care group)

Q1: Have you ever prepared and given a really special gift to someone? What did you give? What was the preparation and anticipation like?

Q2: Do you like or not like receiving "practical" gifts for Christmas? What was the most "practical" gift you have ever received?

Q4: Read Luke 6:37-42. What does this passage teach about "giving" grace and forgiveness to others?

Q4: What does giving "the gift of forgiveness" look like in your life right now?

Q5: Read John 14:1-4, 25-27. What do these verses teach us about the peace the Lord wants to bless us with?

Q6: Are you afraid of death or afraid to die? What concerns generate those fears?

Q7: Read I Corinthians 15:50-58. What truths from this passage can enable you to overcome your fears regarding death?

Q3: Jesus gave us three practical and necessary gifts: forgiveness, peace and eternal life. Which of those three gifts mean the most to you? Why?