



#97 HE IS OUR ULTIMATE GIFT

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MESSAGE/TAKEAWAYS:

The Lord, our **Ultimate Gift**, is truly the gift that keeps on giving. . . eternally. . . in far more ways than we can imagine . . .

1. **THE GIFT OF THE COMING MESSIAH.** John 4:24-26
[] **Yearning; 400 yr. wait; OT foreshadows; "I am He." Liar/Lord/Lunatic**
2. **THE GIFT OF THE HEAVENLY CHILD.** Isaiah 9:6
[] **Prophecy; Virgin birth; God-Man; Holy Trinity/H2O/1x1x1**
3. **THE GIFT OF OUR WONDERFUL COUNSELOR.** Isaiah 9:6
[] **John 1 Conversation; Whispers/Red lights/Gut feeling; 7.. Blind/Bind**
4. **THE GIFT OF OUR MIGHTY GOD.** Isaiah 9:6
[] **Problems big? Wonder/Awe/Fear; Universe/Mind of God**
5. **THE GIFT OF OUR ETERNAL FATHER.** Isaiah 9:6
[] **Hallmark cards/Father wounds; Abba/Dad/King; Eternal past/future**
6. **THE GIFT OF OUR PRINCE OF PEACE.** Isaiah 9:6
[] **Prince/Cinderella; Bridegroom/Nuns; Covenant/Heavenly Peace**
7. **THE GIFT OF JESUS, THE SON.** Luke 1:31-32
[] **Yahweh saves; No other name/The Way; Son of God; Son of man**
8. **THE GIFT OF OUR REIGNING KING.** Luke 1:33
[] **Rome/Occupation? Sin/Death! Kingdom not of this world; Hearts**
9. **THE GIFT OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR.** Luke 2:10-11 **Merciful Savior;**
[] **Gentle Teacher; Gracious Master; Loving Bridegroom; Fruitful Union**
10. **THE GIFT OF OUR LIGHT OF REVELATION.** Luke 2:32
[] **Progressive rays; Painful Fog; Sinful Mud; Stormy Night; Carlsbad C.**
11. **THE GIFT OF THE ULTIMATE RULER.** Matthew 2:2
[] **7 Models of Church Leadership; Home/4 States of Parenting/Leading**
12. **THE GIFT OF OUR COMFORTING SHEPHERD.** Matthew 2:6
[] **Downcast; Stubborn; Wayward; Know My voice; They follow me.**

JOHN 4:24-26 God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." 25 The woman *said to Him, "I know that **Messiah is coming** (He who is called **Christ**); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us." 26 Jesus *said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

ISAIAH 9:6 For a **child** will be born to us, a **son will be given to us**; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called **Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.**

LUKE 1:30-33, 49-50 The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him **Jesus**. 32 He will be great and will be called the **Son of the Most High**; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; 33 and **He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end.**" . . . 49 "For the **Mighty One** has done great things for me; And holy is His name. 50 "And **His mercy is upon generation after generation** Toward those who fear Him.

LUKE 2:10-12 But the angel said to the shepherds, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; 11 for today in the city of David there has been born for you a **Savior**, who is **Christ the Lord**. 12 This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." 29 (Simeon) "Now Lord, You are releasing Your bond-servant to depart in peace, According to Your word; 30 For my eyes have seen **Your salvation**, 31 Which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples, 32 A **Light of revelation** to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel."

MATTHEW 2:1-2, 6 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, 2 "Where is He who has been born **King of the Jews?** For we saw **His star in the east** and have come to worship Him." ...

6 *'And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, Are by no means least among the leaders of Judah; For out of you shall come forth a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel.'*"