



The
Greatest
Gift

The Clearest Manifestation of God's Love and The Greatest Gift Ever Given 'Jesus'

- I. **Jesus Christ** Is the Greatest Gift Ever Given by God
 - A. Human Language Does Not Have **Words** to Describe How **Wonderful** He is cf 2 Cor. 9:15
 - B. The Giving of Jesus Assures the Believer That God Will Continue to Bestow **Lesser** but Additional **Gifts** Upon Them cf Rm. 8:32
- II. The **Nature** of God's Gifts cf James 1:17
 - A. Every Gift from God Is **Good** the Word 'Good' Is the Translation of the Greek Word (ἀγαθός); English Transliteration *agathos*; Denotes The **Highest** Good, That Which Is *Intrinsically Good, Acceptable to God as Good and Beneficial* in its Affect cf Mt. 19:16-17; Mk. 10:17-18; Lk. 1:53; 8:8; 10:42; 18:18-19; Rm. 7:12 cf Gal. 3:24; Rm. 8:28; 12:12; 2 Cor. 5:8; Gal. 6:10; Eph. 2:10; 4:28-29; Heb. 13:21
 - B. Every Gift from God is **Perfect** Is the Translation of the Greek Word (τέλειος); English Transliteration *teleios* = "*Meets the highest standard.*" A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature
 - C. Every Gift from God Is **Always** Perfect: ". . .with Whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning" The Character and Nature of God are **Unchanging** cf Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8; Therefore, So Too Are His Gifts
- III. The **Motivation** Behind God's Giving Is **His Love**
 - A. God's **Love** The Word 'Love' Is the Translation of the Greek Noun (ἀγάπη); English Transliteration *agape* and the Verb (ἀγαπάω); English Transliteration *agapao* When Applied to God the Words Are Used to Denote an Aspect of the Dynamic Essence of God's Nature Which Moves God to Choose to Do and Actively Seek to Do What Is in the Very **Best** Interest of Those for Whom He Has an *Unchanging, Infinite, Intently Compassionate, Benevolent, Deep Tender Heart-Felt Affection* cf 1 Jn. 4:8; 2 Cor. 5:14; Philipp. 1:16; Jn. 15:12, 17; 1 Jn. 3:11, 23; 4:7; Jn. 3:16; Rm. 5:8; Gal. 5:20; 1 Jn. 3:16; 1 Jn. 4:9-10; Rev. 1:5-6; Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8; James 1:17; Psalm 145:3; 147:5; Isa. 40:28; Rm. 8:35, 39; 11:33; Eph. 3:19; Mk. 10:21; Lk. 7:5; Jn. 11:5; 13:23; Isa. 54:8; Lam. 3:22
 - B. The Love of God is Revealed in the **Incarnation** of Jesus Christ cf Jn. 3:16; 1 Jn. 3:16; 1 Jn. 4:9