



“The Everlasting Gift”

Romans 6:23

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Questions for Application and Fellowship

MY STORY

1. What’s the best Christmas gift you’ve ever received?

QUICK REVIEW

Christmas is all about the incarnation of the Son of God. The Second Person of the Trinity took on human nature. He added humanity to His deity. He entered the world He created to save us. He Himself was the ultimate gift. And He came bearing still more of the greatest gifts ever given to the human race. These are “The Gifts of Christmas.”

This week we open to the Book of Romans to discover “The Everlasting Gift.” In his discussion of sanctification, or the Christian’s need to be dead to sin and alive to God for growth in holiness and purity, Paul drops one of the greatest sentences ever written. In Romans 6:23 we discover “The Everlasting Gift.”

Read Romans 6:15-23

Three points of contrast revealing God’s gracious gift:

1. In contrast to the _____ of sin is the _____ of God.
2. In contrast to the _____ of sin is the _____ of Christ.
3. In contrast to the _____ of sin is the _____ of life.

Was any point in this weekend’s message particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. “The wages of sin is death.” The essence of death is separation and its resulting deterioration and decay. How does sin result not only in spiritual death and physical death, but other kinds of separation and demise as well?
2. “The gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” How would you differentiate between a gift and a wage? Why is important that eternal life is received as a gift and not a wage?
3. By faith we receive eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. What do these passages teach you about the nature of that everlasting life? What do we have to look forward to?

Isaiah 9:7

Psalm 16:11

John 17:24

Revelation 22:3-5

4. This verse on the gift of eternal life punctuates a section of Scripture dealing with sanctification, our growth in holiness. We must view ourselves as slaves. Read carefully through Romans 6:15-23. What two kinds of slavery does Paul describe? (note the various terms he uses for each kind) What freedom do these two kinds of slavery offer? But what is the result of each kind of slavery?
5. What forms of bondage do people experience today? Have you ever been in bondage to anything? What hope does God offer you through this passage?