Putting film in Perspective



## The Gift That Gives

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Scripture: John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Who doesn't like receiving a gift! Ok, let's qualify that by saying a "good" gift! Ever received a gift that was just what you wanted --- at that time? If we'd really be honest, there are a couple of "gotta have" gifts that have found their new home tucked away on the back shelf or in a corner. The gift that was important and relevant in one season has become a discontinued use because it no longer serves a purpose in our life.

Father God has given the world the gift of His only begotten Son (John 3:16). He is the gift that is always relevant and ready for use. He is the gift that fits every situation for every person. You can say that He is a one size, fits all. No matter the season, putting on Jesus Christ keeps the cold out, cools the heat and covers you from the rain. Now that's a gift! When you invite Him into your life, He becomes everything you need. Jesus is the gift that keeps giving! Some gifts that come with a life in Jesus Christ include:

## **Eternal Life**

For God so Love the world that He gave His only begotten Son; whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have ever lasting life (John 3:16). We have been promised a life with the Lord for an eternity. There is nothing that can separate us from Him – no, not even death (Rom 8:38). We can rest in this promise.

## Empowerment

He has given us everything to live a life that pleases and honors Him (2Pet 1:3). We can live from a place of victory because of His enabling power (Philp 2:13; Rom 8:11). So, child of God, there is no reason to shrink back, feel inferior or ill-equipped because He will empower you to do His will. We can be confident in the blueprint because He will own and finish the work (Philp 1:6; Heb 12:2).

## Enlightenment

The word declares that His people perish for lack of knowledge (Hosea 4:6). God reveals who He is and who we are in Him through His word. We must spend time in His presence to build a steadfast and intentional relationship with Him. Knowing His character and faithfulness will bring a peace and assurance to our soul.

Will you accept this precious gift? No worries, because He comes with a lifetime guarantee and you'll never have to return Him because He operates according to His promise. You will receive so much more than you could ever imagine. He really is the gift that keeps on