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What Do You Want For Christmas by Bill Powell



I remember when I was a kid about this time of the year I would pretty much lock in my mind what I wanted for Christmas. When I say lock in I mean singleness

of mind, totally committed, I think I will die if I don't get it singleness. I tried to be realistic and not want the moon. I also realized we weren't rich and so my list consisted of one item. Remember the song "All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth?" I digress. One year - I don't know, maybe I was 9 or 10 - I determined I had to have a Fanner Fifty shootin' shell cap gun with greeny stickem caps.

The gun and hip-slung holster were specifically made for a fast draw. All of Mattel's shootin' fanners and holsters carried the true stamp of the old west. Remember the slogan, "You can tell it's Mattel. It's swell!" All I could think of was how wonderful it was going to be when I got that silver beauty. I could just play the scenes in my head.

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I would run out of the house after watching the Lone Ranger, or Roy Rogers. I would run and pretend I

was on Silver shouting "Hi O Silver, away!" or galloping like the wind alongside Nellie Bell on Trigger with the posse after the stage coach robbers. Talk about fast draw, man, I was fast as greased lightning. Fanning that hammer, shooting those shootin' shells as those greeny stickem caps fired! Wow, what a rush!

Sorry but I got a little carried away. Well, I remember when Christmas came. I couldn't sleep. Finally morning came and as I looked under the tree what did I find? Two pairs of K-Mart pants and two shirts. It wasn't bad enough I didn't get the Fanner 50 but the clothes were, well, let's just say I wouldn't be setting the fashion world on its heels. I must admit the disappointment was huge. Even to this day it stings a bit. Christmas was great as a kid but my laser focus on that one special present was a repeat every year. Disappointment.

You may be thinking, "What's with the sad story?" Well, there is actually a real life lesson in this. It wasn't till I was in my twenties and had children did the lesson come clear. The one special gift we should all want is the gift of eternal life

through Jesus Christ our Lord. This is the gift that pales all gifts to insignificance. It is available to anyone who wants it. And here is the best part - it is

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Looking Ahead

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Check out the Community Bulletin Board at www.wjlu.org for reminders about upcoming events, concerts, and special services.

Do you have one of these? Stop by The Cornerstone studios and pick one up for YOUR car. Keep Christ in our community's Christmas!



Prayer Corner

Our prayer focus this month is on the foster children, nursing home residents, and homeless people on the streets. Our hearts and hands are united to help these groups of people in their distress. Pray for God's people to practice pure religion in reaching out to the needy in our area. May God touch hearts through our hands and bring blessings and provision to both the givers and recipients of each kindness.

On What or Whom Do We Depend? Part 2 by Mary Solari



On my journey, I realized that most of us experience a void in our lives, that there is something within us that doesn't quite seem complete. Some fill the void with relationships, others may fill it with hobbies, and some may fill the void with addictions, whether substances or something else. Whatever we devote too much time or attention to can become an addiction and leave us unbalanced.

In Luke 14:25-27, Jesus tells us that we shouldn't love family or ourselves more than we love him. At Matthew 22:37 Jesus says to *"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."* Exodus 20:5-6 says that God is a jealous God and that he does not want us to put anything before him, such as idols; and today, we can make anything an idol by giving too much of our time and attention to it.

In Ephesians 2:3-5, Paul speaks of our life in the world before Christ *"All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath. But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions - it is by grace you have been saved."*

As we can see, it's easy to get caught up in the desires of the world, filling the void with people and things instead of God. But through Christ, we can be transformed and delivered from anything that may have us in bondage or may have too much control over our lives. By putting God first in our life and surrendering our will to His, we learn to trust God and let him lead us (Proverbs 3:5-6). As a result, we will achieve peace and balance in our lives, and the void within us will be filled.

Have a Beautiful and Blessed Christmas!



100% Christmas Music

November 28 is not Black Friday around here! We begin serving up 100% Christmas music the day after Thanksgiving, and we think we have the best collection around. For more than 15 years we have worked to assemble the best of the best in inspirational Christmas tunes. We feature the Christian artists you hear on The Cornerstone every day. Tune in and catch some of these classics – new and old.

Life - Brief But Amazing by Donna Bramlett



Christmas is so often a time for memories and reflections, a way to count time and mark the years. Though these memories can become gilded by the twinkle lights, it is so important to have regular times when we pause, look back, and look ahead. It's like stopping to check the map and compass on a long hike. Here we can reaffirm our path, or make course corrections if necessary.

I have a few of these times - the beginning of a new year for personal evaluation, and the start of a school year for evaluating

my kids' changes and my progress as a parent. But Christmas is the most significant, because it is when God Himself stepped from eternity into time. It marks the completion and fulfillment of the Law and the grand entrance of grace. It is when El Shaddai, the Almighty God, became Emmanuel, God With Us. How humbling! How thrilling! Christ stepped out of eternity for a moment, and in a moment I will step into it. I can forget how brief is my life, but when I look at it in this light I am filled with a fresh courage to face down adversity and push forward.

Our greatest gift this year could just be a fresh realization of our brevity. Emmanuel, God With Us -- forever!

Jingle Bells by Chris Johnson



Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle All The Way

That was Noah J's (my eldest) first favorite song, and no matter what time of the year it was he was singing about Christmas! He still loves Christmas songs and the fact that The Cornerstone plays 100% Christmas music through Christmas Day! It's our joy to provide our listeners an opportunity keep Christ in their holiday celebrations, and along with our music format change we adorn our studios with various kinds of festive decorations.

We collect blankets for the homeless, toys

for the foster children, and for our precious seniors in some of our local nursing/retirement homes we are collecting shampoos, soaps, lotions, socks, robes, slippers and lap blankets. What an awesome opportunity we have to give to those in our local community who are in such great need!

The Christmas season is particularly special because we enter into a time of reflection concerning the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ! This profound message of Emmanuel – God with Us is one that reverberates deeply within our soul, and as we consider the great love of God expressed in

the giving of His Son we stand in awe and amazement just as those lowly shepherds did 2,000 years ago. At The Cornerstone it is our prayer that you and your family are richly blessed every time you tune in! The inspirational music, the Bible teaching and our great line up of family programs serve as wonderful tools to bring joy, love and hope into thousands of lives, and we rejoice in the Lord's pleasure to use this ministry for his Kingdom's sake. God's richest blessings on you and yours this Christmas season, and may you have a joyous and Happy New Year!

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free and you don't have to rely on anyone to receive it. There is no age requirement, money can't buy it, and no one can withhold it from you. All that is necessary is that you want it. Yes, all you need to do is want it. Go to Jesus Christ, God With Us, and just tell Him you want it because He is the only one who can give it. Fanner 50, who cares. I have Jesus as my Savior and that is the best gift ever. John 6:37 *All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.* (ESV)

That all being said, giving and gifts are a great part of the holiday season and once again this year we are collecting toys for the children in foster care. Why not help bring a smile to these needy

children's faces. For the teens, a great gift is a gift card. You can drop them off here at the studios. Merry Christmas to you all and have a happy and prosperous New Year!