

# Why Celebrate Christmas?

## *Give Yourself Back to Jesus*

Luke 2:8-14

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### Introduction

- **Romans 3:23**
  - **Luke 2:8-14**
  - **1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9:15**
  - Man has learned all he knows about gift giving from God.
  - Have you thought about giving Jesus your best gift this Christmas?
  - Have you thought about what the best gift Jesus has ever given you?
  - Who guided you to find the gift of Jesus?
  - Our life is God's gift to us ... What we do with our life is our gift to God.
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### 1. Let's Give Back Our Hearts:

- a. There are three basic reasons why we need to re-gift our hearts:
  - i. We are sometimes embarrassed by other Christians. – **2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 1:7-8**
  - ii. We worry way too much about what others think.
  - iii. We don't love others as Jesus calls us to love them. – **John 13:35**

### 2. We Need to Give Back Our Minds:

- a. **Psalm 139:14**
- b. Do you believe God made you?
  - i. Your Brain –
  - ii. The Human Eye –
  - iii. The Human Heart –

### 3. We Need to Give Back Our Soul:

- a. **Genesis 22:5**
- b. Worship, in its essence means: *Putting it all on the altar.*

### 4. We Need to Give Back Our Strength:

*“When you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced ... Live your life in such a way, that when you die, the world cries and you rejoice.” – Author Unknown*