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Christmas @ Clovis Hills – Week 2

The Perfect Gift

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WHAT IS THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT?

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.
James 1:17 (NIV)

1. There are Shallow Forgettable Gifts

Which is greater: the gift, or the altar that makes the gift sacred?
Matthew 23:19 (NIV)

2. There are Well Intentioned Gifts

If you make gifts to rich people or oppress the poor to get rich, you will become poor yourself.
Proverbs 22:16 (TEV)

3. There are Unintentional Gifts

Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."
1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIV)

4. The Perfect Gift Is Salvation

*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, **it is the gift of God**--not by works, so that no one can boast.*
Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)

5. The Perfect Gift Is Delivered with Love

*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.*
John 3:16 (NIV)