

## Giving God

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### Introduction

1. James 1:17
2. God has given us everything
  1. God has given us life Ecclesiastes 12:7
  2. Rain and sunshine Matthew 5:45
  3. Food, air, water.
3. Some gifts are for all some gifts are only for God's children
  1. We must ask for them Matthew 7:7-11
  2. Some are only for God's children 1 Peter 3:12
  3. Some gifts He has provided we can either accept or reject
4. Some people think in a materialistic way but these gifts are otherwise
  1. We are to lay up treasure where it will count Matthew 6:19-21
  2. We did not bring anything into this world 1 Timothy 6:7
  3. Our soul is the real value Matthew 16:26
  4. We can be rich materially and poor spiritually Revelation 2:9; 3:17-18
5. Context of verse is 12-17
  1. The devil is offering something else as good gifts Hebrews 11:25
  2. The devil tries to deceive men into believing that God is withholding good things from man
6. What are some of the gifts that God has freely given to man?

### II Discussion

1. Christ: God's good and perfect gift John 3:16; 2 Corinthians 9:15
  1. Good because of man's need
    1. God's love is painted on a background of despair John 3:16; Isaiah 59:1-2
    2. He can save us from our sins Matthew 1:21
    3. He came seek the lost Luke 19:10
    4. He can save the chiefest of sinners 1 Timothy 1:15
  2. Perfect because it is complete
    1. Christ has the Words of life John 6:68
    2. Christ is the author of salvation Hebrews 5:8-9
    3. Christ can save all sinners Romans 1:16
  3. Gift, there is no where else to go
    1. Not to Judiasm Galatians 2:21
    2. Not to human philosophy Colossians 2:8
2. The Bible God's good and perfect gift
  1. Is the Bible from man or God 2 Peter 1:21
    1. This passage tells how it did not come
    2. This passage tells how it did come
    3. The subject matter of Scriptures is of such a nature that good but unaided men could not write it and bad men would not want to write it 1 Corinthians 2:9-10
  2. Good Hebrews 6:5 seen in man's need for it
    1. To show man where and how to walk the road of life Psalm 119:105; Jeremiah 10:23; Matthew 7:13-14
    2. To reveal saving truth unto men James 1:21
    3. To enable man to have his soul purified 1 Peter 1:22-25
    4. To give us an inheritance among the sanctified Acts 20:32
  3. Perfect James 1:25; Jude 3; 2 Peter 1:3; 2 Timothy 3:16-17
3. The church God's family is a good gift
  1. God's plan from eternity Ephesians 3:10, 20, 21
  2. Good the saved are in it Acts 2:47; Mark 16:15-16

1. Where are the saved? Ark, House,
2. In Christ 2 Corinthians 5:8-10; Ephesians 2:16; 1:21; Galatians 3:26-27
3. Perfect from the divine aspect
  1. Perfect organization
  2. Worship
  3. Soul-saving purpose
  4. Soul-caring responsibilities

### III Conclusion

1. A gift shows love for and interest in the person the gift is given to
2. God loved and gave John 3:16
3. If we love in return , we give to God
  1. Self 2 Corinthians 8:5
  2. Talents Matthew 25:14-16
  3. Material possession 1 Corinthians 16:1-2
4. Will you love God John 14:15
5. Do it now!

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