# Wish List: The Best Gift Ideas for Christmas 2020 Week 4: Give Jesus December 20th, 2020

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Have someone in the group invite God's Holy Spirit into our presence. Pray for your encounter with God's Word. Ask God to open your heart and mind to some new understanding and especially to a new way of life.

### SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

~Safe Group	~Silence	~Sharing
~Confidentiality	~No Cross Talk	~Self-Aware
~Listen	~No Fixing	~"I" Statements
~Pause	~No Rescuing	~Handle Conflict Biblically

# "GETTING TO KNOW YOU"

Go around the room and briefly share your answer to the following question:

### Do you have a favorite Christmas movie? Please share what it is and why.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Can you feel it? Christmas is almost here! We often feel the need to remind people "Jesus is the reason for the season." Is it because our world has diminished His role, perhaps lost understanding of what Christmas represents? We continue our **Wish List** series this week as we look at the greatest gift we can give others. **Give Jesus!** Our study looks at several passages of scripture all found in the book of Romans. *~This Week- We are going to use several passages from Romans. Go around the group* and rotate reading each of these...

Romans 3:10-11, Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, Romans 5:8, Romans 10:9-10, Romans 10:13, and Romans 5:1-2

## DISCUSSION:

Go around the room and share from your heart, remembering the group guidelines.

- Do you take issue with the claim that "everyone has sinned?" Why or why not?
- Discuss the difference between "wages" and a "free gift." Which would you prefer to receive?
- How is the greatness of God's love expressed in the gift of Jesus?
- What does it mean to "declare that Jesus is Lord" and "believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead?"
- Have you received the gift of Jesus? Would you talk openly to the other members of your group about this decision? You can pray together right now to experience God's gift of salvation.
- How might you share this gift with others this Christmas?

\*\*\*Note- this will be the final set of group questions for this series and 2020. We will be launching our new group season at the beginning of February in 2021. Look for group sign-ups in January. Merry Christmas!

• **CLOSING PRAYER**-Spend some time in prayer, pray for the season we are in, for those that may be affected, for the community, for our world. Pray for one another, for those that might be absent and for prayer requests.