

## **God's Indescribable Gift - JESUS**

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**Scripture:** 2nd Corinthians 9:15, 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 2:4, 6-7; Luke 3:22; John 1:12

The value of something and its importance is not realized – until taken away and not available.

**Question:** Has there ever been something you couldn't describe?

**2nd Corinthians 9:15** - "(15) Thanks be to God for his *indescribable gift*."

**INDESCRIBABLE:** (Gk: *anekdiégētos*): "**Indescribable, inexpressible.**"

- **Inexplicable** - impossible to estimate \*used only in 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 9:15.

**GIFT:** (Gk: *dōrea*): "**Gift, free gift.**"

- freely given not acquired by *merit* or "entitlement."

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**God's gift is...**

**1) ...A PRECIOUS GIFT** (1<sup>st</sup> Peter 2:4, 6-7) - "(4) Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and **precious**."

**Precious:** (Gk: *entimos*): "**valued, dear, more honorable, in reputation.**"

- (Vv. 6-7) Jesus is the selected, chosen *piece* (Cornerstone) of the design of a building (Church).
- Some accept Him – Some reject Him (Psalm 118:22).

**2) ...A PROMISED GIFT** (Genesis 3:15) - "(15) And I will put **enmity** between you (Satan) and the woman (Eve), and between **your seed** and **her Seed**; He (Jesus) shall **bruise your head**, and you (Satan) shall **bruise His (Jesus) heel**."

- Theologians call this the *protoevangelium*. proto: first; evangelium: gospel.
- The first prophetic Messiah statement in the Bible.

**"between your seed"** - Satan and his followers (unbelievers).

**"her Seed"** - Christ, a descendant of Eve.

**Bruised heel** = Satan, causing Jesus to suffer.

**Bruised head** = Jesus, destroying Satan's hold with a fatal blow (Crucifixion/resurrection – Luke 23 & 24).

**3) ...A PERFECT GIFT** (Luke 3:22) - "(22) And the **Holy Spirit** descended in bodily form like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven which said, '**You** are **My** beloved **Son**; **in You** I am well pleased.'"

- We see all three Persons of the Trinity.

**Holy Spirit** - like a dove.

**Jesus** - upon Him.

**Father** - a voice came from heaven which said "... I am well pleased."

**4) ...A PRICELESS GIFT** (Isaiah 9:6) - "(6) For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; ...and His name will be called **Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace**"

**5) ...A PERSONAL GIFT** (John 1:12, 3:16)

John 1:12 – “But as many as received Him, to them **He gave** the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name.”

John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world that **He gave** His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life.”

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- 1) How would you describe Jesus - the most indescribable gift ever given?
- 2) Do you know Jesus as *your* Savior?