

# Great Christmas Gift—EASY to mail!

## Christmas Carol Devotions

A  
time

To pause.

To be still &

meditate on the

Reason for the Season.

To praise and worship.

For to us a Child is born,

To us a Son is given: and the

Government will be upon His

shoulders: And He will be called

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isalah 9:6



Dear Reader,

There's no question that the **Christmas** season fills our already-packed lives with a lot of extra responsibilities and activities.

Many enjoy the busyness. We reconnect with family and friends. Remember Christmas pasts. Share gifts of love and kindness with the important people in our lives.

But for some, the season accentuates our current struggles with life, increases our sense of loneliness and heartache, and reminds us of painful memories and the loss of loved ones.

Thankfully, no matter what our circumstances, CHRISTMAS can be a time of joy for ALL when we consider what Christ has done for each and every one of us.

Together, let's celebrate the birth of our precious Lord, and Savior,

**Jesus Christ!**

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## We Hear Christmas Carols All Around

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How many of us have become spiritually desensitized to the meaning of the songs penned long ago in an attitude of worship and praise?



This book revisits the messages in these beautiful carols and reminds us of God's goodness all year long. As we hear the songs throughout the season, let's stop for a breath of worship. And despite the busyness of the season, we'll experience the love, joy, and peace found only in God's holy presence.

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## Away in the Manger

Jesus came as a baby, humble and pure, that we might become part of the family of God.

### God's Children!

Our Father in Heaven provided a way in the manger years ago. A way to have our sins forgiven and receive eternal life. Jesus Christ—the one and only way!

God is still making a way for us today. His heart reaches out to the poor, the brokenhearted, the captive, and the prisoner of darkness. Matthew 6:8 says that "your Father knows what you need before you ask Him."

### Christ is the WAY!

Naturally, we look to God to provide what we need in tough times. But consider looking to God because He *is* what we need: His very presence in our hearts and lives. The lyrics say,

*Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask You to stay close by me forever and love me, I pray.*

When we hear "Away in the Manger," let's thank God for His presence in our lives!

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Away in the manger, no crib for a bed,  
The Little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;  
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,  
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.



The cattle are lowing,  
The Baby awakes.  
But little Lord Jesus,  
No crying He makes;  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus!  
Look down from the sky,  
And stay by my cradle  
Till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus,  
I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever,  
And love me, I pray;  
Bless all the dear children  
In Thy tender care,  
And take us to heaven,  
To live with Thee there.

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## Gifts from God

Salvation \* Eternal Life  
Provision \* Power  
Unfailing Love \* Truth  
Grace \* Mercy \* Hope  
Protection \* Direction  
Comfort \* Healing  
Freedom \* Peace  
A New Heart \* Strength  
God's Presence



These are just a few of the many, many blessings promised to those of us who accept Christ into our lives as Lord and Savior! See the next few pages for Scriptural promises.

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