



What if Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more? Dr. Seuss

The people there living at Whoville are lovely, joyful and affectionate. The Grinch, on the other hand, is a nasty and grumpy creature who lives on Mount Crumpit, just north of Whoville, in his own isolated cave. He is notoriously known to have a heart "two sizes too small". One Christmas when the Whos are preparing for the happy festival, Grinch is, however, irritated by all the boisterous Christmas activities that take place in Whoville. And he decides to "stop Christmas from coming."

The Grinch enters and goes from house to house to steal all the gifts, Christmas trees and ornaments, and the food prepared for the Christmas feast. He then goes back to Mount Crumpit and prepares to discard all of the stolen items into the valley. Just before he tries to do that, he is shocked to hear the Whos singing and caroling joyous Christmas songs. Puzzled for a moment, he wonders and says to himself, "how could it be so? It came without ribbons. It came without tags. It came without packages, boxes or bags. And he puzzled and puzzled 'till his puzzler was sore. Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before. What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store? What if Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more?"

The Grinch comes to an understanding that perhaps Christmas "means a little bit more" than just Christmas gifts and decorations and foods. That causes his "two-sizes-too-small" heart to grow three sizes larger. With tears in his eyes, he goes and returns all the Christmas items to the Whoville. And the Whos welcome him to celebrate Christmas together.

Perhaps, Christmas means a little bit more. Yes, the King of Peace was born 2000 years back who brought God's love and peace to us all. Our donors, partners and coworkers contribute time and money, and more importantly, pour out our hearts to serve those who are in need. May the good Lord continue to grow our hearts to three or perhaps four sizes larger. God bless you all.

2021 Christmas Day Camp



Prayer Items

School and our KLC's Sunday Plus and Homework Tutoring classes are currently suspended until Jan 20 in accordance with government advice on the COVID measures. Many of our kids may likely have to remain at home. May God continue to provide guidance and protection for our KLC kids and their families.

根據政府對 COVID 措施的建議，學校、我們 KLC 的 Sunday Plus 和功課輔導班目前已暫停直至 1 月 20 號。我們的許多孩子可能不得不待在家裡。願神繼續引導及保護我們 KLC 的孩子和他們的家人。



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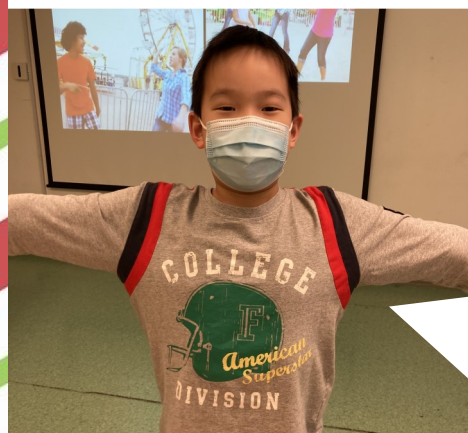
It's both a happy and a not-so-happy holiday, because Christmas means there is a long holiday and hence, a lot of free time; however, a lot of homework follows as well.

Christmas reminds me that Santa Claus delivers gifts to everyone's home. Although he secretly enters our homes, he does this to give us gifts, and so he does not get caught and is not put into prison.



Christmas is so jolly and merry. I can exchange gifts and celebrate with friends. This year I will decorate Christmas decorations at home for the first time. I am so excited.

This Christmas, I will receive a Christmas gift for the first time. I have never received any Christmas gift before, so I am happily anticipating Christmas to come.



My first impression of Christmas is that adults usually put gifts under the Christmas tree, and I often receive many gifts.



My dad usually gives me a birthday gift on Christmas, and the gift is often big. I am super happy.



I am particularly happy during Christmas time because it is so close to my birthday and I usually receive a lot of gifts.



I really like Christmas, because it is a holiday. I can play video games all day. I really hope that Christmas will come sooner.



By Christmas, I can finally use my reward of a few hundred dollars, which I got as a result of my good grades, to buy gifts and reward myself with it. I am so happy.



Christmas is particularly jolly, because it is a holiday in which one can receive Christmas gifts.

Thoughts from our New Coworker: Kaye Wong

Whether they are Christians or not, many people have expectation for Christmas. We all want to have a wonderful Christmas time, or a boisterous and a happy Christmas. Not only do children look forward to the legendary gift from Santa, adults also secretly look forward to it. They don't necessarily want to have a precious gift per se, but we all want to have a certain degree of attention; a taste of being well-regarded and cared for.

People who like Christmas don't necessarily want to delve into the origin or meaning of this holiday. They don't want to know why this holiday seems to represent giving and receiving gifts, or joy and kindness. They don't necessarily sing or pray, but they would have hope for Christmas, much like Christian faith and biblical hope.

On that note, the story of Christmas did start from a gift. However, this gift was not from Santa; nor was it a gift given to baby Jesus by the Three Magi. It was a gift that God wanted to give to mankind—Jesus. "For he will deliver the needy who cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help. He will take pity on the weak and the needy and save the needy from death. He will rescue them from oppression and violence, for precious is their blood in his sight." (Psalm 72:12-14)

When He gives us gifts, he is as dedicated, careful, and meticulous as when we prepare gifts for our beloved families and friends. He wants to give us the best and the most sensible gifts. Here at the Home, this "gift-giving" ministry is also being carried out every day. This is not merely a ministry to share food items and daily necessities, but to let people discover how much Father God cherishes them—"even His only son was given to them". But many people hesitate to accept this genuine and precious Christmas gift, preferring to replace it with something else.

Gifts basically refer to things that are given without payment or anything in return. That is, we don't need to pay anything, nor do we need to do anything to exchange them. Would you like to open your hands and accept this Christmas gift that has been prepared for humankind for more than two thousand years?