



New Year's Box

Gifts . . . Empty Ones . . . Returns



Christmas is over, presents unwrapped, and a lot of empty boxes are scattered everywhere. So what's IN an empty box?

Empty the Box of a Bitter Spirit!

Christmas is over – you've smiled and been gracious as you've opened loved one's gifts. But deep inside there's an emptiness and discontent you can't quite put a finger on. God can – He knows that the empty box isn't really empty – it's full of a long-held bitterness and unforgiveness, and it's eating you alive. There'll be no peace until you bring the empty box to the foot of the Cross. You must "let go" those invisible contents that nobody REALLY knows but you and God. And when you do, He'll fill the box full of His love and forgiveness. He'll fill it to overflowing, and its contents will spill out to the very ones who have hurt you so. Why? Because it's HIS love – it's awesome and it's awesome and it's available for you – IF you'll give Him the empty box.

Empty the Box of a Broken Heart!

Christmas is over – you've covered well the hurts of your life; you've laughed and joined in the fun. But deep within there's a painful emptiness you feel. God feels it too. He dies of a broken heart – and He understands yours. That forsaken, rejected feeling fills the empty box, and it's hurting – bad! AND it will continue to hurt until you bring the empty box to the foot of the Cross. You must "let go" the broken relationships, the bruises and heart pains that have hurt and scarred you deeply inside where no one, but you and God can see. Let it go – cry it out at the foot of the Cross. He loves you, and He'll fill you with His Presence!

Empty the Box of a Busy Life and Heavy Heart!

Christmas is over – the boxes emptied of ties and trinkets; socks and scents. What about the empty box INSIDE? It LOOKS empty; it FEELS heavy! No one knows the heavy burden you carry deep within – it's sealed in that empty box, invisible to the world, but known to you and to your Lord. Bear the heavy empty boxes no more. Bring them, filled with all your sins, your sadness, your sorrow, to the foot of the Cross. Lay down the burdens – give that empty, heavy box to the Lord, and let Him fill it with his forgiveness, His grace, His comfort and His love. His love is awesome and it's available for you – IF you'll give Him the empty box. Let Jesus love your empty box and He will fill it!

"That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height, and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be FILLED with ALL the know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be FILLED with ALL the FULLNESS of God (Ephesians 3:17-19 KJV)"

"Lord, here's the empty boxes of my life, filled with all the invisible 'stuff' of life that hurts and disappoints and brings heaviness – and emptiness. I let it all go, I leave it at the foot of Your Cross, and I receive the fullness of Your love and life, which is mine because of You! In Jesus' Name. Amen"