



The Flame

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Merry Christmas

It was Thursday, September 4, a lazy afternoon. My three-year old grandson was staying with me for a couple hours until mommy came to get him.

Out of the blue, he begin telling me what he wanted for Christmas. Yes, I said *Christmas!* I had to wait to let mommy interpret, since I had no idea what he was talking about. But, he certainly did.

In a few days, the long wait will be over. The sound of wrapping paper being ripped unceremoniously will be intermingled with excited tones of surprise.

Somewhere along the way, I morphed into this guy who appreciates any gift that I get, but what really gets my juices flowing is others unwrapping gifts I bought for them. I love trying to find something that expresses how much I value those who have been entrusted to me.

In some small way, even if only for the briefest of moments, my delight in giving provides me with a glimpse into the heart of a God whose love was expressed through the Gift of His Son. Can there ever be more graphic evidence of the value He places on you and me?

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to all who share the joy of God's great gift of His Son,

Let the wonder of the God became flesh and dwelled among us

fill your heart now and in the year ahead.