



CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING DEVOTION

It's Christmas Eve! Who's excited? One more day till Christmas! One more day till you open all the presents under the tree. One more day till Santa comes and brings what you asked for! Your excitement has been building all month, but the day is almost here and you can't wait!

We get so excited about Santa coming and opening presents, but are these things what Christmas is all about?

They are not. These things are just one aspect of Christmas. And while they are fun, it's not the true meaning of Christmas. As Christians, we know that the real meaning of Christmas is about the birth of Jesus. It's about the day that God sent His Son to be born on this earth to save us. And this is the best gift we could ever get. It's better than toys, video games, bicycles, phones, and even better than a trip to Disney World! It's the greatest gift you will ever receive in your life.

So let's try something today...let's re-direct all that excitement about opening gifts for ourselves. Instead, let's get excited about Jesus being born. Let's spend the day with our family, being more intentional about focusing on Jesus...who is the real reason why we celebrate Christmas. And as you fall asleep tonight with butterflies in your stomach, let's be filled with so much joy and excitement that tomorrow when we wake up we get to celebrate the birthday of Jesus, our Savior.

Loving God, thank You for loving me so much that You sent Jesus to be born on this earth to save me. Help me to focus on You today and remember that the greatest gift I will receive is the gift of Jesus. Amen.