

# The Exchanges of Christmas

Advent 2018 - Week #1

## What Child is This?



It's Christmas time again!  
...the season of...



Did you ever get a gift where  
you wondered...

"What were they  
thinking?"



"The  
Owl Lamp!"



## Exchange

An act of giving one thing and  
receiving another,  
especially of the same type or value,  
in return.

The Exchanges of Christmas

...or... "Unfathomable"

God's ^ Gift Exchange

*“Unfathomable”*  
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*“God made Him who had no sin  
 to BE sin for us,  
 so that in Him we might become the  
 righteousness of God.”*

*2 Corinthians 5:21*

The God Who Always Was...

*“Before the mountains were born or You gave  
 birth to the earth and the world, Even from  
 everlasting to everlasting, You are God.”*

*Psalms 90:2*

The God Who Always Was...

*“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word  
 was with God, and the Word was God. He was  
 with God in the beginning. Through Him all  
 things were made; without Him nothing was  
 made that has been made.”*

*John 1:1-3*

The God Who Always Was...

*“Jesus said to them, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you,  
 before Abraham was born, I am.’”*

*John 8:58*

The God Who Always Was...  
 Became flesh!

*“And the Word became flesh...”*

*John 1:14*

The God Who Always Was...  
 Became flesh!

*“Therefore, since the children share  
 in flesh and blood, He Himself  
 likewise also partook of the same”*

*Hebrews 2:14*

### The Invisible One...

"He alone is immortal and dwells in unapproachable light. No one has ever seen Him, nor can anyone see Him."  
1 Timothy 6:16

### The Invisible One... Became visible!

"No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is Himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made Him known."  
John 1:18

### The Invisible One... Became visible!

"Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father."  
John 14:9

### The Invisible One... Became visible!

"The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being..."  
Hebrews 1:3

### Darkness... Became Light!

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned."  
Isaiah 9:2  
Matthew 4:16

### Darkness... Became Light!

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'  
John 14:6

## The Throne Room...

"The LORD is in His holy temple; His throne is in heaven..."

Psalm 11:4

## The Throne Room...

"In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple."

Isaiah 6:1

## The Throne Room...

"The LORD has established His throne in the heavens, And His sovereignty rules over all."

Isaiah 6:1

## The Throne Room... Became an animal barnyard!

"She gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them."

Luke 2:7

## And the Sovereign King... Became a servant!

"...after He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death - even death on a cross!

Philippians 2:7-8

## And the Sovereign King...

"And he is not served by human hands, as if He needed anything. Rather, He Himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else!"

Acts 17:25

And the Sovereign King...  
Became a servant!

"After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash His disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around Him.

John 13:5

Though Rich...  
He Became Poor!

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich."

2 Corinthians 8:9

Though Rich...  
He Became Poor!

"The law of the Lord says, 'If a woman's first child is a boy, he must be dedicated to the Lord.' So they offered the sacrifice required—'either a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.'"

Luke 2:22-24  
Leviticus 12:8

Though Rich...  
He Became Poor!

"Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head."

Matthew 8:20

The Everlasting One...  
Became a Babe...

"You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus."

Luke 1:31

The Everlasting One...  
Became a Babe...

"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6

The Everlasting One...  
 Became a Babe...  
 Destined to Die!

"Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: 'This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel... And a sword will pierce your own soul too.'"

Luke 2:35

The Everlasting One...  
 Became a Babe...  
 Destined to Die!

"The Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world."

Revelation 13:8

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The God Who Always Was... in human flesh!  
 The Invisible One... made visible!  
 The Sovereign King... a servant!  
 The Everlasting One... Became a babe, destined to die!  
 He Who was Rich... Became poor!

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