

MAKING ROOM FOR
CHRISTMAS

Room for Generosity

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The radical gift of Jesus' incarnation should grab our attention. It should reverberate through our beings. It should capsize our worlds. It is a gift beyond measure, unconditional and immense. Each year, we sing familiar songs and hear familiar words, but the gift is no less amazing. The act of the incarnation is no less incredible. As we enter into this Christmas season, are we ready to respond to this generosity with everything we have?



MESSAGE NOTES

John 3:16-21

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

For... What leads into this familiar text is a conversation with Nicodemus about entering into the Kingdom of heaven.

God... The Creator of the universe, sustainer of life, all-powerful One.

so loved... Can we begin to fathom this kind of love?

the world... Is this how we actually expect this text to go? Or do we think that God loves people who love Him? God wants *everyone* to be saved – to know Him.

He gave... He didn't require, expect or demand. He didn't have limits or conditions.

that whoever... An invitation for everyone.

believes in Him... An invitation to respond, to action.

shall not perish... We need not live in hopelessness, self-dependency, with lack of purpose or apart from God.

but have eternal life. Life here and life in the world to come.

Responding to God's love for us doesn't end in believing in Jesus and accepting salvation – that's only the beginning.

The work of Jesus in coming to earth is for the hope of the world. It is not about a familiar season, but about an invitation from a God who so loves the world to participate in His kingdom purposes.

God's radical generosity at Christmas invites a response. Again.

For *you* so loved the world, that...

For *KMB Church* so loved the world... How we will respond?