

WHAT CHRISTMAS SAYS ABOUT GOD

God is Generous

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1. What are the best gifts you've received for Christmas? What are the best ones you've given? Which did you enjoy more and why?

2. When Philippians 2:6 says Jesus existed in the "form of God" what do you think this means? Try your best to explain the Trinity. What analogies have you heard or used in the past to make sense of the Trinity? Where do those analogies fall short? Is it troubling or reassuring that there are aspects of God that we don't fully understand?

3. What does it mean that Jesus "emptied Himself"? Did Jesus somehow stop being God when He became human or does this mean something else?

4. When we consider the generosity of God in the incarnation and crucifixion, what feelings arise within us? What questions do we have about it?

5. Why do tend to think God is stingy when He doesn't answer our prayers like we want Him to? What are the real-life effects of thinking of God as stingy? How can we fight back against this kind of thinking?

6. Do you find it harder to be generous with your money or your attitude towards others? Why? How can you get better at both?
