

5 Great Opportunities

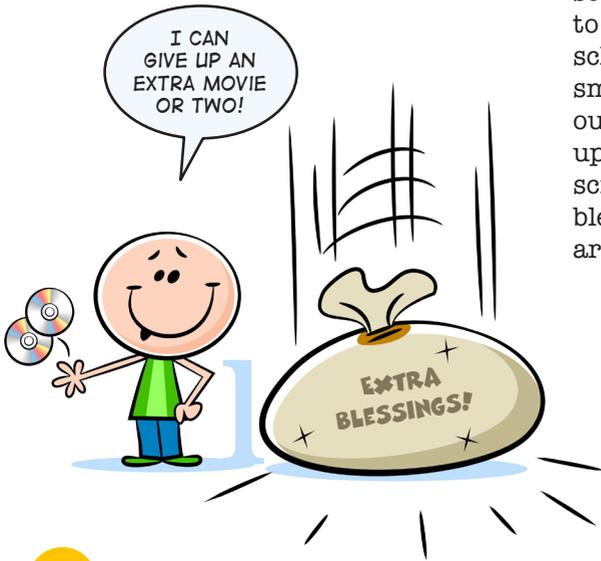
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Christmas is a special time. There are some people who get giddy about Christmas and can't wait to get into the Christmas activity and festivities. However, for others, Christmas can bring a measure of unhappiness or disappointment. This holiday dip can either hit at the beginning, middle, or end of the season.

If you feel that bummer feeling setting in, reflect on the following thoughts, as they can help you to remember how special Christmas can be.

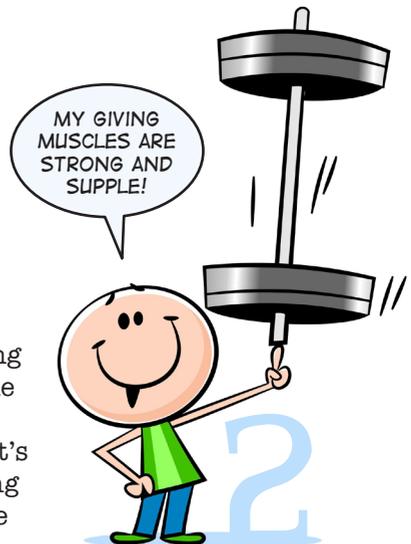
1.

Sometimes you'll need to give up something you like to do in order to help the family schedule or school Christmas program run smoothly, or perhaps to even help out a friend. Every time you give up something, whether you consciously choose to or not, I can bless you for it. I love it when you are eligible for extra blessings!



2.

Making small sacrifices for Me and others keeps your giving muscles strong and supple, so if you find yourself in the position of needing to give more than you think you can, you can know that it's doing you good. You will be participating in the spirit of Christmas, which for the most part is the spirit of giving.



WE'LL HAVE
A LOT TO TALK
ABOUT....



3. If you find yourself missing your friends because you or they are busy with all that the Christmas season brings, you can be sure that it will help you to appreciate your friendships more. Think about how much you'll have to talk about once Christmas is over and how fun it'll be to catch up when you see each other next.

4. Something that I look forward to when it comes to Christmas is the focus I get from you during this happy season. I'm happy for all the friends you have and for the time that you get to spend with them, but I also enjoy getting extra attention from you. Christmas is a great chance for us to catch up and spend some quality time together.

HOW 'BOUT
SOME QUALITY
TIME? JUST YOU
AND ME?



I MADE A
CHRISTMAS
COMIC TO HELP
MY FRIEND GET
TO KNOW JESUS
BETTER.



5. Christmas is also an excellent time to tell your friends, or those you have a chance to meet, about Me. And when you do, it can help to take your focus away from any chance of the blues, because you are taking time to make others happy, and then you will find that happiness finds you in return.