



A MAN GIVING A GIFT TO A FRIEND

You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving. Composer Oscar Hammerstein wrote; "A bell's not a bell till you ring it. A song's not a song till you sing it. Love in your heart is not put there to stay. Love isn't love till you give it away." So the flowers, the chocolates and the little surprises - 'every man is a friend to the one who gives the gifts' says Proverbs. But gifts without love are merely rewards, or bribes! They often come at Christmas. A world without love is a world without eyes. Jesus said 'put your life on the line for your friends'. Be at home in my love! Then he willingly died, leaving behind the legacy of his moral code, and through his death empowering us to live it. Love your enemies, demonstrating how by dying on our behalf we can be freed from the root of sin and its guilt. Nothing was too much for Jesus, and that is the beginning of true love expression. You cannot love without giving! That is the message of Easter. ~ *David Rodway*



**GATHERINGS:
WED. AM; THURS. PM;
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