December 25, 2011 Dr. Mark D. Cain Christmas Day

> The Gift Who Keeps On Giving Matthew 1:18-25 (p. 957)

Jesus continues to give the gift of His presence to those who make the "investment" of responding to His presence.

We are not promised exemption from the trials of life, but in the Gift of Jesus we are promised the experience of His presence as we face the trials of life. Matthew 1:23; 28:20; 2 Timothy 4:16-17

Is there a "password" to "drawing near" to Him? (James 4:8)

The best Christmas present is the present experience of His on-going presence.