

1. The Free Gift of Eternal Life

*For the wages of sin is death, but the **FREE GIFT** of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 6:23 ESV)*

*For by **GRACE** you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the **GIFT** of God, **NOT OF WORKS**, lest anyone should boast. (Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV)*

Gift:

- something **given voluntarily without payment in return**, as to show favor toward
- something bestowed or **acquired without any particular effort by the recipient or without its being earned:**
- a favor with which one receives **without any merit of his own**

Free: Given or available **without charge, without cost** or payment

Criteria for a FREE Gift

- **No Payment, No Cost, No Charge**
- **No Effort**
- **Not Earned**
- **Without Merit**
- **Unconditional**

The only two things you can do with a free gift are Receive or Refuse.

To Delay is to Refuse.

Synonymous Scriptural Terminology

- **Eternal Life** (One who has been Born Again, Born of God, Saved)
- **Born Again** (John 3:3-7, 1 Peter 1:23)
- **Born From Above** (used in various Bible translations for Born Again)
- **Born of God** (John 1:12-13, 1 John 4:7, 1 John 5:1)
- **Born of the Spirit** (John 3:5-6)
- **Born of the Word of God** (Incorruptible and Eternal Seed) (1 Peter 1:23)
- **Saved/Salvation** (John 3:16-17, Acts 16:31, Romans 1:16, Romans 10:9, Ephesians 2:8)