

ADVENT IV
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The SCS Teacher asked her class "What are you looking forward to this year at Christmas time?"



"Like, you know, I'm looking forward to being out of school!" said Running Chairs. "And opening presents!"

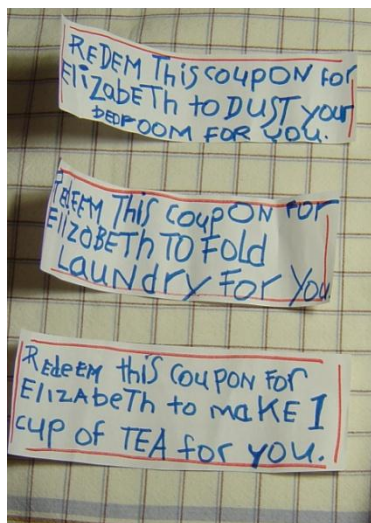
Haman said "Opening the presents is my favorite part!" "Yeah!" agreed Polly.

Elizabeth said "I can't wait for my mother and my aunt to see what I made for them this year. I think they will really like their gifts."

Do you see how Elizabeth's answer was different from the others? Instead of thinking about what she is GETTING for Christmas, she is thinking about what she is GIVING for Christmas.

"What are you giving them?" asked Sam.

"I made coupons for them to use. See?" And she showed them some of the coupons.



"It was a lot of words to write," Elizabeth told them.

Barabas was thinking about what he is looking forward to this Christmas. His father, Frank Hefelfinger, who lives in CA (see him over on the western windowsill?), will be visiting Barabas and Uncle Floyd over Christmas! When the three of them play Parcheesi together it is the most fun.



What are YOU looking forward to this Christmas? Opening presents IS a lot of fun isn't it? However, even better than opening presents is having fun with your family. God planned this world to have families so that we could learn to love and be loved.

After all, when God came to earth as a baby, he was part of a family with a mother named Mary and a father named Joseph. And they named their baby Jesus, for he came to save His people from their sins.

"God's gift to us at Christmas is Love," said The SCS Teacher. "This year, give all that Love from God away to your family!"