

## I Wish Everyday was Christmas

There's a great Christmas song called "I Wish Everyday was Christmas" and it goes something like this:

I wish everyday was Christmas  
All around the world  
Peace, love and harmony  
For every boy and girl

I like the sentiment of this song, it reminds us of the good will that happens this time of the year. Folks who are not normally benevolent will go out of their way to give to others who are in need. Wouldn't it be great if we were all this concerned with our neighbor's well being every day? Think about the following points:

I wish everyday was Christmas...

- \* So we would get excited about the opportunity to give more.
- \* So that large corporations gave money to help feed others.
- \* So TV programs would have wholesome themes and happy endings.
- \* Because people just seem to be nicer to each other.
- \* Because it's quite on Christmas morning and no one seems to be in a big hurry.
- \* Because people talk a lot more about Jesus than they normally do.
- \* Because people seem to go to church a lot more than they usually do.

Let's all make a commitment to be much more benevolent than we have been in the past. James wrote that part of pure religion was "visiting" (*James 1:27*) which requires action and involvement on our part. It's easy to reach in our pockets and throw some money in a red pot, but until you roll up your sleeves and make personal sacrifices of your time and energy, you're only getting part of the job done. Our benevolence will weigh heavy in the balances on the Great Judgment Day (*Matthew 25:31-46*), so let's be sure that we have fulfilled our duty as Christians to do good to all (*Galatians 6:10*).

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