

“Breaking The Christmas Chains Forged In Life”

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Highline Christian Church

“The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners.” Isa. 61:1

1. What Chains Bind You Today?

Check the Chains that apply to you this Christmas:

- Materialism
- Bitterness and Hurt of Old Wounds
- Unrealistic Expectations
- Financial Stress
- Other: _____

2. What Causes Your Chains?

Sometimes it is God vs. _____.

Check The One That Best Describes You:

I have been hurt deeply but continue on with courage and faith.

I have been hurt deeply and look for something else that may hurt me again.

There is no testimony without _____.

3. How Can You Break Your Chains?

The real power of Christmas is not found in what _____ have done, but in what _____ has done.

He knows us so well that he came to us _____ of all the things that _____ us and _____ us from what real life is all about.

Our humbugs are turned to hallelujahs when we discover that Christmas is not _____.

Ultimately, chain-breaking power is not found in our _____, nor in our _____ deeds. But the real power is found in what _____ has _____.

from
humbug
to
hallelujah!