## Preparing for Advent the Christian Way

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup> Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. <sup>5</sup> For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge— <sup>6</sup> God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you.<sup>7</sup> Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. <sup>8</sup> He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- 1. This is the most wonderful time of the year...*if you so choose*.
- 2. How do we live in expectation of Christ's coming?
- 3. Focus on the gifts you already have, not those you want to buy.
- 4. Consider ways you can be God's gift to others.
- 5. Take time to appreciate the gift of friendship and community.