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Christmas Greetings from Bob and Carol

But who do you say that I am?



Dear Friends and Ministry Partners,

Jesus once asked His disciples the most important question anyone will ever answer:
“But who do you say that I am?” (Matthew 16:15)

This season has reminded us how vital that question is—not just for salvation, but for **daily strength, courage, and hope**. When life changes... when bodies ache... when prayers feel heavy... we need a fresh confession of who Jesus truly is.

And with Peter we joyfully declare: **“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God!”**

Because He is the Christ,

• we walk through change with confidence • love each other deeply • pray with expectation • and serve with endurance



A Special Ministry Moment Bob had the joy of speaking at **Juniata Christian School**, sharing Jesus' question from Mark 10:51: "**What do you want Me to do for you?**" He encouraged the students to shift their Christmas focus from "**What do I want?**" to "**Jesus, what do You want to do in my life?**" Hearts were open, and God was at work.

Life Group Joys & Transitions

Growing in Love

Our Life Group has become a true spiritual family—sharing meals, offering timely calls and visits, and praying together wherever needs arise. We've watched burdens lighten and tears turn to hugs.

This is the church at its best.

Walking Beside Those in Transition

- Some dear friends recently moved to Florida.
- One beloved sister who lost her husband in June is preparing to move to Indiana, and God is providing for her needs.

Pray for:

- the sale of her home
- continued strength and healing
- a loving church family in Indiana



Hospitality Center Ministry

Here in Richfield, the Lord continues to open doors for discipleship and mentoring over meals, Scripture, and prayer. We're reminded that **discipleship is not a program—it's a relationship**. These conversations have refreshed us as much as those we serve.

Pray for Us

- Wisdom and grace in mentoring
- Strength and compassion in ministry
- Unity in our Life Group

- Gospel opportunities through our Hospitality Center
- Health and stamina
- Our friend's move to Indiana

Our Prayer for You

May Christ fill your Advent season with **wonder, peace, courage, and purpose**.

May you hear His question afresh—"Who do you say that I am?"

and answer with joy: "**You are the Christ!**"

With love and gratitude,

Bob and Carol

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