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*A Christmas Message
from
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OUR gratitude mounts to a new high as the eighteenth AA Christmas dawns. In this year of 1953, uncounted ones of our kind have been delivered from a dark bondage into light. They are now finding all those joys we know so well.

Never before have we been so privileged to give, and to receive. Good will has been showered upon us by the world outside without stint and beyond measure. Fallible individuals we shall always confess ourselves to be. Yet we see that God has wondrously welded us together in a fellowship of vast strength and high purpose. We know that AA's unity runs deep and true; we are certain that our destiny for service will be boundless so long as we faithfully hold to the clear course that God in His wise providence has so lovingly marked out for us.

With full hearts we make our Yuletide offering: Thanks be unto Thee, O King of Kings. What children of Thine can more joyfully shout "Merry Christmas, peace on earth, good will to men!"