

A script from



## “Christmas is About Receiving”

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- What** A delivery person explains to a new employee the reasons some people do not receive their Christmas gifts and packages. **Themes:** Salvation, Gospel, Gift, Free
- Who** New delivery guy  
Veteran delivery guy
- When** Christmas; Present
- Wear (Props)** Boxes & packages  
2 uniforms  
Crashing/breaking glass sound effects  
Ominous musical motif
- Why** Ephesians 2:8-9; John 3:16,18; John 4:36
- How** The Veteran Delivery Guy is over the top with his love for delivering packages. The actor playing him should be able to be fearless on stage and be a little melodramatic with his dialogue. The New Guy should be younger and wide-eyed. Keep the pacing and energy up. Be sure to practice with the sound effects.
- Time** Approximately 4-6 minutes

*Lights up. New Guy and Veteran enter the mailroom.*

**Veteran:** *(Cocky; full of himself; pulling at the waist of his pants)* So, you want to be a delivery professional, do you?

**New Guy:** *(Enters carrying a load of packages which he drops and they go crashing dramatically to the floor– use breaking/smashing sound effects if possible)* Sorry! Sorry...uh, I'm sorry.

**Veteran:** That's okay...this one time, since you're a novice. We must uphold the code of delivery specialists everywhere and use serious caution. Do you understand?

**New Guy:** Uh, yes, sir. I'll remember that...serious caution...yeah...

**Veteran:** *(Picks up a package and shakes a package of broken glass next to his ear)* Hear this, son? Hear this? This happens when inexperienced amateurs pack contents without the training you have received. This is a disgrace! *(Tosses box into a pile, making another crash.)*

**New Guy:** *(Winces and says under his breath)* Serious caution...

**Veteran:** *(Points off to the long lines in the distance)* Look at that, son. Look at those lines! It's only a few days before Christmas—the true test of delivery personnel everywhere. *(Puts his arm around the shoulders of the New Guy; pensively looks off into the opposite direction)* Now, young man, we're at the end of your training... *(sighs)* This may be difficult to handle. It's only for the strong at heart. As a necessary part of your training I have to introduce you to a domain called... *(dramatic pause— ominous musical motif such as an instrumentally recorded or sung off stage on mic "da, da, da, dum"— and then exaggerated & "twilight zone" tone)* "The Lost Zone."

**New Guy:** *(Casually question)* The Lost Zone?

**Veteran:** *(In an identical tone as before)* Yes... *(ominous musical motif)* "The Lost Zone." In this dark pit are the packages that have found no home, no resting place but this lifeless abyss of cardboard and brown paper...packages whose contents will forever be trapped by aging packing tape.

**New Guy:** *(Looking & sounding like, "this guy's nuts!")* Okay...

**Veteran:** Over here. See this one? What does it say?

**New Guy:** No such address?

**Veteran:** That's right. No such address, son! No such address. And this one? Even more tragic! Right address but no such person. Oh, we tried to deliver it back to the sender, but no...

**New Guy:** So, I guess Santa's address app was on the fritz? *(Nervous laugh)*

**Veteran:** This is no laughing matter. Now these... *(delicately picks up a package and looks at it carefully, holding it up to the light like you would a prism)* these are truly sad. Prepare yourself. It's almost too dismal to stomach.

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**ENDING:**

**Veteran:** *(Looks around to see if anyone is listening and then leans in and says in a loud whisper)* Sometimes...the would-be recipient never even knows about their gift. The notification blows away or worse...it's gone before it's ever delivered. They never even hear that someone has loved them with a gift at Christmas...

**New Guy:** *(Sincerely now)* How awful! I mean, I never thought about it really. It seems so easy—someone offers or sends you a gift and you receive it. You take hold of it and open it and are overwhelmed with gratitude. Why would anyone choose to do otherwise?

**Veteran:** I haven't a clue. But this room— *(ominous musical motif)* "The Lost Zone"—doesn't just hold unclaimed packages...it echoes with the grief of unrequited friendship and love. Yes, they were all rejected or neglected, never received...unredeemed forever in *(ominous musical motif)* "The Lost Zone."

*Lights out. The end.*

*Optional Ending: #1 read over the darkness or over a still of the last scene or #2 an additional actor steps onto the stage and addresses the audience—must be well memorized.*

**Reader:** It's often said that Christmas is about giving. After all, God gave the greatest gift of all times at Christmas. But just as the purpose of a Christmas gift is not fulfilled until it has been accepted by the person you give it to, so too, Christmas is also about receiving. Because God loved us so much, He gave us His only Son—that whoever believes and receives Him—that person will have everlasting life. If you don't receive God's gift of Jesus Christ, then you won't understand completely the true meaning of Christmas. Are you too busy and just haven't gotten around to it? Are you ignoring the notices and choosing to never even

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look into God's gift? Even if you had never heard before, you've heard [or "you will hear"] today. Will you receive the gift today?