



Gift Giving

Description



I sometimes put so much pressure on myself to find just the right gift. I can stand in stores for hours pouring over options while also trying stay within a certain price range. After I make a choice then I second guess myself and perhaps ask another person's opinion. Maybe this isn't you, but it's me at times. I recently ran into a neighbor while shopping who was doing the same thing so I know I'm not alone. It takes the joy out of giving for me and in return I'm angst ridden (just ask my husband). I am reminded by my favorite little publication, *The Daily Word*, **Just as there are a variety of gifts, there are endless ways to give. In harmony with the flow of giving and receiving,**

I receive with gratitude and give with joy.â€

I was somewhat stressed out at the beginning of my giveaway week. This is the first time Iâ€™ve done something like this and the fear of the unknown and logistics got the best of me. What started out as a good thing began to make me angst ridden. About mid week I began to feel more relaxed and grateful for all those who participated and to my loyal readers. If I could, I would make everyone a winner. At the end of the day, we just need to do the best we can and that is enough. If you find yourself angst ridden over gift giving, let it go and donâ€™t over think it. Give from your heart. I love this quote from Oprah, â€œ**Whatever your gift this season and beyond, let the message be; I appreciate you. I am grateful. You matter to me.**â€ Those things donâ€™t come in a box, but from your heart. I appreciate all of you, and Iâ€™m grateful that you take the time to read my blog.

Giveaway Winners

\$25 Target Card- I got such a good response from this I decided to give away 4 gift cards- Kristine Nuss, Denise Williams, throuthehaze,elena

\$25 Olathe gift card- Karen Tolar

Two \$10 gift cards to Starbucks one for you and one to share- Becky Carney, Shari Hernan

\$25 gift card to Amaze boutique- Anne Putnam

\$15 gift card to Buckleyâ€™s Wine Market- Kim Lowry

2 copies of *The Four Agreements*- Betsy, Suzy

\$50 Pottery Barn gift card- Christine (I promise this was legit. My husband drew the names

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