**True Christian Christmas**

Christmas isn't showy gifts

Or glittering decoration;

It's honoring our Savior, Jesus Christ

In humble adoration.

It's serving those less fortunate,

Meeting their needs before our own;

It's making sure at Christmas time

That no one is alone.

It's taking what we would have spent

On things that no one needs,

And using it to help someone

With service and good deeds.

Our Savior showed us how to live

With charity, faith and service.

It makes the holidays a joy,

More peaceful, and less nervous.

So let's remember Christmas is

About our Savior's birth;

That's the way to happiness,

The way to peace on earth.

**By Joanna Fuchs**

**Jesus Is The Reason**

In Bethlehem, God gave to us

The source of Christmas joy;

A star shown on a miracle:

The virgin birth of a boy.

He was born both God and man,

A Savior for us all,

The way to get to our heavenly home,

If we just heed His call.

So as we shop and spend and wrap

And enjoy the Christmas season,

Let's keep in mind the sacred truth:

Jesus is the reason.

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**Real Joy**

What is Christmas without Jesus Christ?

It's a holiday full of stuff.

Money and stress, teaching kids greed,

Some people are saying "Enough!"

"Love one another," our Savior said.

It's all about love, not things.

Let's teach our children to serve, and create

The real joy the true Christmas brings.

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**Why We Celebrate**

Why do we celebrate

Jesus’ birth at Christmas,

though we don’t know

when He was born?

It was necessary and inevitable

that we select a date

to celebrate an eternal miracle--

the coming to earth

of God in human form...Jesus,

Who changed the entire world

with His message of love,

forgiveness, humility and peace.

Christmas is an obligatory

and indispensable holiday

marking the transformation

from guiltless selfishness

to striving to follow His example

of service to God and our fellow man.

That is worth celebrating.

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**Why Do We Celebrate Christmas?**

Why do we celebrate Christmas,

A "Mass" for Christ, each year?

Why do we shop and give out gifts,

Basking in Christmas cheer?

Our joy is based in the Gospel,

The amazing "good news" of Christ;

We’re grateful for what He gave to us

And all He sacrificed.

Priceless gifts He brought,

Eternal life, and more,

A perfect role model for all of us,

He opened heaven’s door.

At Christmas time let’s be

Reverent and devout,

Celebrating a Christmas real and true:

Jesus Christ is what it’s about.

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**God Bless You at Christmas**

God bless you at Christmas;

May the Light of the World

Shine on you and those you love

As you share this blessed, holy season.

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**Christmas Contentment**

At Christmas,

May Jesus fill your hearts with peace,

May God grant you abundant grace,

And may you have sweet contentment

In the New Year.

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**A Different Kind Of Christmas**

Sometimes Christmas is just overwhelming, it seems,

As we rush around buying up stuff.

We spend without end, and we rack up those bills,

But it feels like it's never enough.

So this Christmas, let's all take a different approach:

Let's try to be more in accord

With God's Christmas gift, the best one of all--

Our sweet Jesus, our Savior, our Lord.

We'll be gentle and patient, and loving and kind,

And we'll keep our priorities straight;

The gifts of the Spirit, the gifts of the heart

Are the ones that we'll all celebrate.

And our stress will decrease, and we'll feel more at peace,

As we decorate, package, and trim;

Our new Christmas will be a pure joy and delight,

As we try to be much more like Him.

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**Practice Jesus**

If we practiced Jesus every way,

It'd be like Christmas every day;

If we, like Him, were meek and mild

And loved each woman, man and child,

If we'd read our Bible, it'd remind us,

So that every single day would find us

More and more in sweet accord

With our sweet Jesus--Master, Lord.

Then every day that we're alive

Would be like December 25.

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**Give**

If we would take just half the measure

Of what we spend on Christmas pleasure

To give to others who have less,

Our love for Jesus we’d express.

What we spend on Christmas stuff

(It's really way more than enough)

To others can mean so much more

Than trifles we often use it for.

The Bible tells us how to live;

A frequent lesson we read is "give."

It’s time to spread uncommon cheer;

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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**The Best Kind of Christmas**

The best kind of Christmas

Would be peaceful, serene,

No chaos, no stress,

Just Jesus, pristine.

We’d worship and pray;

We’d help those in need,

To be like our savior,

And follow His lead.

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**Christmas Prayers**

Christmas prayers are one of the top Christmas searches, so here are some Christmas prayers. This Christmas prayer is a rhyming, short Christian Christmas poem that recognizes the most treasured Christmas gift of all.

**Christmas Treasure**

Dear Lord, we're here at Christmas time

To honor your sacred birth,

Dear Savior, thank you for bringing all

Your precious gifts to earth.

As we delight in this holiday

With its bright and special pleasure,

We pray to remember all year round

That You are the only true treasure.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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**Christmas Blessing Prayer**

Dear Lord,

We thank You for being here with us

as we celebrate this cherished holiday

to honor Your precious, sacred birth.

We recognize and acknowledge

that all the material pleasures we enjoy today,

the food, the gifts, and everything else

come from You, Lord,

through your grace, your compassion,

and Your love for us.

Help us throughout the year

to always strive to be worthy

of all the blessings You have given us,

our family, our friends and our comforts,

by living our lives in Your will

according to Your Holy Word.

We pray that You will bless this food

and everyone at this table.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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**We Celebrate Your Birth**

Dear Lord, as we celebrate Your birth,

let us remember that You are the true reason for Christmas.

Let every sparkling light remind us how You illuminate our lives,

a shining beacon to guide us in our thoughts and actions each day,

and how You light us from within

in the knowledge of Your love and truth.

Let the Christmas trees, standing straight, tall, unbowed,

remind us of Your uprightness, Your goodness, Your perfection,

and Your refusal to bow to worldly temptations,

no matter how great the challenge or trouble.

Lord, as we feast on Christmas treats,

let us remember that You are the sole provider

of everything worth having, that all good things come from You.

And as we enjoy our gifts, let us never forget

that You are the greatest gift of all--our wonderful Savior,

Counselor, Giver of an eternal life whose wonders we cannot imagine.

So as we delight in Christmas, the happiest and brightest of holidays,

let us remember there would be no Christmas without You, Lord,

and let us our hearts be filled with joy, and love

and thankfulness, this Christmas and all the ones to come.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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