Ten Reasons Why Jesus Was Born

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Scripture References

Mark 7:13	John 3:16, 17
Matthew 1:21	Romans 8:1
John 1:17, 29	Psalm 103:12
Galatians 4:5	Acts 2:32, 33
James 2:10	Psalm 37:23
Hebrews 8:6	Genesis 22:18
1 John 2:2	Galatians 3:14-16

Summary

Christmas is a major global event, but most people are unaware of the real reasons why Jesus was born. Millions of people who observe Christmas do not even believe in Him; however, the significance of His birth goes much deeper than the secular holiday traditions the world has created. When the world was buried in sin and people wondered if God even cared about them, God emphatically answered by sending His Son. Jesus was born for a number of reasons, all of which were based in God's love for us. In addition to paying the price to save us from our sins, Jesus was born to make us children of God and bring the truth of His favor toward us. He also came to take away condemnation, bring His Holy Spirit to guide us on a daily basis, and offer eternal life in heaven. A single event—the birth of Jesus—changed the entire course of human history; this is something for which we can wholeheartedly celebrate.

A. Jesus came to save us, show us grace and truth, and make us part of the family of God.

- 1. Christmas is widely celebrated, yet many people have taken God out of it and reduced it down to earthly traditions.
 - a. Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye (Mark 7:13).
- 2. There are ten reasons for Jesus' birth. The first reason was to save us from our sins.
 - a. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins (Matthew 1:21).
 - b. The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world (John 1:29).
 - c. Jesus made salvation available to the whole world, not just a small, select group of people.
 - d. All that is necessary to get into heaven is to invite Jesus into our lives.
- 3. The second reason Jesus was born was to redeem us, who were under the Law of Moses, so that we could be adopted as God's children.
 - a. The word "redeemed" means a price was paid. Jesus paid the ransom for sin, on our behalf.
 - b. To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons (Galatians 4:5).

- 4. The third reason was to fulfill the law, which we could not fulfill.
 - a. Failure to keep any one of the more than six hundred Jewish laws resulted in curses and punishment.
 - b. For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all (James 2:10).
 - c. Whether or not our hearts are troubled depends on whether or not we believe in the Word of God.
- 5. The fourth reason was to be a mediator of a better covenant.
 - a. But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises (Hebrews 8:6).
 - b. No one could keep the Law of Moses. We are no longer under the law; we are now under a covenant we are actually able to keep.
- 6. The fifth reason Jesus came to earth was to bring us grace and truth.
 - a. Grace and truth are both the same; Jesus brought them simultaneously.
 - b. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ (John 1:17).
 - c. Grace is unmerited, undeserved favor from God; it is the truth that makes men free.

B. Christ also paid for our sins, opened heaven to us, and offered us eternal salvation.

- 1. The sixth reason Jesus was born was to pay the price for our sins.
 - a. The ransom was expensive, and no one could afford it. He was our peace offering.
 - b. And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world (1 John 2:2).
- 2. The seventh reason was so that we could have everlasting life.
 - a. For those who are born again, that life has already begun.
 - b. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16)
 - c. We do not need to be afraid when we miss the mark, because Jesus has already taken care of all our sins.
- 3. The eighth reason was to end condemnation and replace it with salvation.
 - a. Condemnation has to do with the idea that we are not enough. We no longer have to deal with that: *Jesus* is enough.
 - b. There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit (Romans 8:1).
 - c. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved (John 3:17).
 - d. We can forgive others because we, ourselves, are forgiven. We no longer have to condemn others.
 - e. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us (Psalm 103:12).
- 4. The ninth reason was to make the Holy Spirit available to *all* of us.
 - a. This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear (Acts 2:32, 33).

- b. The Holy Spirit is our invisible partner and guide. He leads us through life and directs our steps.
- c. The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way (Psalm 37:23).
- 5. The tenth reason was to provide the promised seed of Abraham.
 - a. And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice (Genesis 22:18).
 - b. That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto. Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ (Galatians 3:14-16).
 - c. We can be thankful for Jesus' birth.

For more on how the birth of Jesus Christ affects our lives, click on the link below for the DVD, *Ten Reasons Why Jesus Was Born*.

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