

## What Is Christmas About?

What is the meaning of the Christmas season, and everything that comes with it? Well for those who do not know the Bible and what is specifically said to be the meaning of this season, then it is just a time of good feelings and hoping that they may get the present or thing they wanted. For those who know that Jesus, who was God, came down as a humble human and chose to live the life we could not live and to die in our place and live again, then it is a time of knowing that God keeps his promise.

How Christmas happens is in the Bible and the Bible says all the preparation and thought that went into Jesus' birth. It all truly starts in Genesis after Adam and Eve have sinned and God promises a Redeemer for humanity when God could have left us all to die but did not. Then most of the old Testament is about the preparing that God put in over the years through Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, and the promises, or covenants, God made with each of them. Each of these promises reflect of how Jesus will be born and about Jesus' second coming which is still something today we look forward to if we are a Christian. Then fast forward to the book of Isaiah where God is revealing things to his prophet, Isaiah, and Isaiah starts writing down what he sees believing in all his heart it is true because the Jewish consequences in that time if one makes a prophecy and it does not come true, that one is stoned to death. Isaiah prophecies of that the Messiah will be born in Bethlehem from a virgin and all these things that He will be called like Immanuel, Mighty God, and many more throughout the book of Isaiah. These prophecies were made 700 years before the actual birth of Jesus, and they all came true.

Actually throughout the Bible there are around three hundred plus prophecies about the coming of Christ both first and second. Studies by Peter Stoner, a scientist, showed that if eight of these prophecies were picked randomly and associated with anyone born today the chances of

any one person being born fulfilling all eight is one to ten to the 17<sup>th</sup> power, one hundred quadrillion. Imagine someone fulfilling all three hundred something prophecies, but Jesus did it which is why it is such a turning point in history. So much of a turning point that the calendars even show this because of B.C. and A.D. which are Before Christ and Anno Domini, the year we are in, which is Latin for “the year of our Lord.” So this season of Christmas is such an important event in all of history because of its reverence and importance for the entire world.

This season is a season to remember that God keeps His promises even though it was thousand of years ago with impossible chances of it being an accident. So for those who don't believe in Jesus why celebrate this season? They shouldn't for they have no real reason to, but through the years Christian tradition has affected the world so much that even the non believers do it which shows just how reverent Christmas is. Christmas is about what God did by sending His Son and what will happen when Jesus comes again.

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