

# Merry Christmas!

## Why Jesus Came That First Christmas

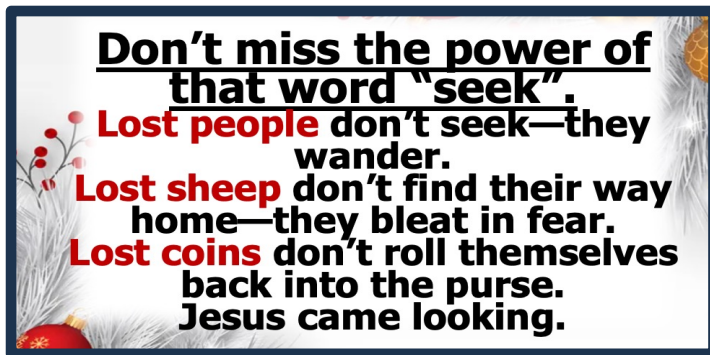
Various Scriptures

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### Bottom Line:

Jesus made it very clear by His own words why He came to earth as God in flesh. His explanations reinforce the powerful message of Christmas and joy that His life brought to the whole world!

### 1. To seek and to save the lost! Luke 19:8-10



*Augustine wrote:*

*"You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You."*

### 2. To give his life as a ransom for many!

Mark 10:43-45

- Jesus paid the ransom to God the Father, satisfying divine justice for humanity's sin, not to Satan.
- The core idea is Christ's precious life paying the debt our sins incurred, making us right with God

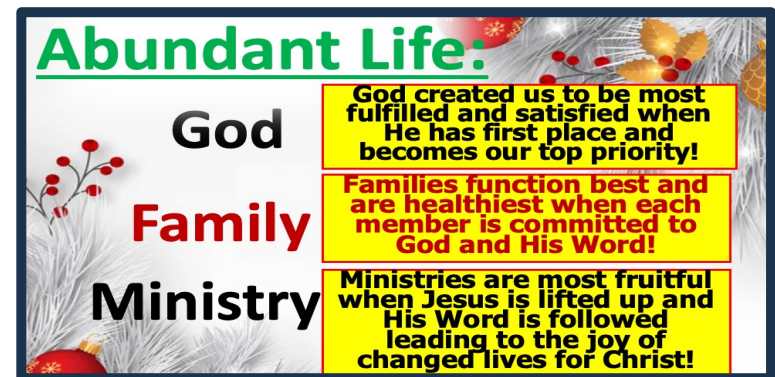
### 3. Not to abolish the Law or Prophets but to fulfill them! Matthew 5:17; 2 Corinthians 1:20

### 4. Not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance! Luke 5:30-32

C.S. Lewis observed:

*"I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen—not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else."*

### 5. That you may have life and have it abundantly John 10:9-10; John 17:3



### Conclusion