

THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

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⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.
⁷He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that
all might believe through him. ⁸He was not the light, but
came to bear witness about the light. ⁹The true light,
which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.
¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through
him, yet the world did not know him.

John 1:1-13



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*Receiving the
Gift of Jesus*

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1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. **4** In him was life, and the life was the light of men. **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:1-13

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¹¹ He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. ¹² But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

John 1:1-13

THE MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS

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John 1:14

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*When people say, you know, 'Good teacher,' 'Prophet,'
'Really nice guy'... this is not how Jesus thought of Himself.
So you're left with a challenge in that, which is either Jesus
was who he said he was or a complete and utter nut case.
You have to make a choice on that.*

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Either this was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse. You can shut him up for a fool or you can fall at his feet and call him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about his being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us.

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¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:15–16

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John 1:12

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²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).

Matthew 1:23

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