

PURPOSE OF
CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 18, 2016

WHAT IF JESUS HAD NEVER BEEN BORN?

1. Without Jesus There Would Be No Santa Claus!

2. Without Jesus There Would Be No Church

"Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it"
Matthew 16:18

"For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me in to your home. And when his followers said "When did this happen?" Jesus told them. ...I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!" Matthew 25:35,40

"The believers rapidly multiplied." Acts 16:5
The churches...grew daily in numbers.

3. Without Jesus the Sick Would Be Viewed Differently.

"Then he told John's disciples, "Go back to John and tell him what you have seen and heard-the blind will see, the lame walk, the lepers are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor." Luke 7:22

4. Without Jesus Women Would Be Viewed Differently

"For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on the character of Christ, like putting on new clothes. There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male or female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus."

Galatians 3:26-28

5. Without Jesus Children Would Be Viewed Differently

"But Jesus said, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children."

Matthew 19:14

6. Without Jesus Education Would Be Viewed Differently

"Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind." Matthew 22:37

WHAT WOULD BE DIFFERENT IN
YOUR LIFE WITHOUT JESUS?