

Making Christmas Meaningful

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I. Introduction.

A. A Christian has to adapt to the culture to some extent to make an impact.

B. There is a way that a Christian can make Christmas meaningful.

II. Focus on Christ and what His coming has meant.

A. Read the Christmas story often.

B. The gospel is in the Christmas story.

III. Give more to Jesus by giving more to other people.

IV. Spend some time alone worshipping Jesus.

V. Pray together.

VI. Enjoy good Christmas music.

VII. Differentiate your home with a focus on Christ.

VIII. Be a servant at home.

IX. Build some meaningful family traditions.

X. Shop prayerfully being wary of commercialism that surrounds the holiday. Do not become materialistic, but enjoy the season.

XI. Tell your children the real reason for Christmas, and tell them that Santa represents the spirit of Christmas.

XII. Review your notes from throughout the year, and give thanks.

Application questions:

1. Why is it helpful for the Christian to read the Christmas story often during the season?

2. Which tip for focusing on Christ during the Christmas season did you find the most helpful?

3. Why do you think the speaker suggests that one ought to teach his children that Santa is the spirit of Christmas? Explain.
