

## Why I don't celebrate Christmas?

Do you know why I don't celebrate Christmas? Well, if you don't know, here are some of the reasons.

The first reason is no one knows Jesus' birthday. In Luke 2, in the Bible, some shepherds came to see Jesus. Shepherds don't usually go to the fields in winter. So, this possibly happened in the spring, summer, or even the fall. So why do people say Jesus' birthday was on December 25, which is in the winter?

Well, the Persians celebrated Mithras' birthday on December 25. Mithras was a Persian God. As Persians worshipped Mithras, it spread through Asia Minor and the Roman Empire. By the fourth century, most Romans worshipped Mithras. At that time, Pope Julius I decided that Jesus' birthday would be celebrated on December 25.

Santa Claus is celebrated in different ways, and is called different names around the world. In Russia, she is called Babushka. Here is her story: She supposedly told the wise men wrong directions to Jesus. Supposedly, they got lost. Babushka felt sorry for them. So she went to give gifts to Jesus. She didn't know the way to Jesus and could never find him. So she leaves presents at children's bedside just in case one of them is Jesus.

People talk about the three kings and shepherds coming to see Jesus and giving him presents when he was born. That is not the true story. Really, shepherds came to see Jesus first. Then, about two years later, wise men came to see Jesus and gave him presents.

In conclusion, after research, I found out that the bible doesn't tell us Jesus' birthday. Originally, December 25th was Mithras birthday. Santa Claus is not real. We also found out people take the truth and make it a lie. These are some of the reasons I don't celebrate Christmas.

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