



# Inspire

## Celebrating His Goodness

### Bible Study

### **Why Jesus is Better Than Santa**

- Santa lives at the North Pole... **JESUS is everywhere.** *Psalm 139:7-10*
- Santa comes but once a year... **JESUS is an ever-present help.** *Hebrews 13:5*
- Santa fills your stockings with goodies... **JESUS supplies all your needs.** *Philippians 4:19*
- Santa comes down your chimney uninvited... **JESUS stands at your door and knocks, and then enters your heart.** *Revelation 3:20*
- You have to wait in line to see Santa... **JESUS is as close as the mention of His name.** *Psalm 145:18*
- Santa lets you sit on his lap... **JESUS lets you rest in His arms.** *Matthew 11:28-30*
- Santa doesn't know your name, all he can say is "Hi little girl, what's your name?"... **JESUS knew our name, before we did. Not only does He know our name; He knows our address too. He knows our history and future and He even knows how many hairs are on our heads.** *Psalm 139:13, 16; Isaiah 49:16; Matthew 10:30*
- Santa has a belly like a bowl full of jelly... **JESUS has a heart full of love.** *1 John 4:7-10*
- All Santa can offer is HO HO HO... **JESUS offers health, help and hope.** *Psalm 147:3, Hebrews 4:15-16, 1 Peter 1:3-6*
- Santa says, "you better not cry" ... **JESUS says "Cast all your cares on me for I care for you."** *1 Peter 5:7*
- Santa's little helpers make toys... **JESUS makes a new life, mends wounded, hearts, repairs broken homes and builds mansions.** *Isaiah 61:1-3; 2 Corinthians 5:17, John 14:1-3*
- Santa may make you chuckle but... **JESUS gives you joy that is your strength.** *Nehemiah 8:10; Philippians 4:4*
- While Santa puts gifts under your tree... **JESUS became our gift and died on the tree.** *John 3:16-17; Galatians 3:13-14; 1 John 3:16*



### Things to Celebrate

#### Education Ideas

December 1 is World Aids Awareness Day.

December 3 is the First Sunday in Advent. Teach women about the meaning of Advent and how they can keep Christ in their Christmas celebrations.

December 6 is Saint Nicholas Day. Learn about the real saint and how he loved the Lord and gave sacrificially.

December 7 is Pearl Harbor Day. What do you know about that day?

December 15 is Bill of Rights Day.

#### Fellowship Ideas

December is National Bingo Month.

December 7 is Letter Writing Day & December 9 is Christmas Card Day. Fellowship together as you write letters or Christmas cards to women who haven't been to WM group in a while.

December 8 is National Brownie Day. Make Brownies together. What is the most creative brownie recipe you can find?

December 21 is Winter Solstice—the shortest day of the year and is also National Flashlight Day. Enjoy the darkness with WM outing to see the Christmas lights.

#### Service Ideas

December 20 is Go Caroling Day. As a WM group go carol at a Christmas Kettle or go caroling to shut-ins homes.

Volunteer with Christmas CCM, distribution or kettles.

**For more holidays to celebrate go to [www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/](http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/)**

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<b>Devotional Calendar</b> <b>Keep CHRIST in CHRISTmas this December</b> <b>By Focusing on the Names of Jesus</b>						<sup>1</sup> Revelation 1:8 <b>Alpha &amp; Omega; the Almighty</b>
<sup>2</sup> Isaiah 11:1-10 <b>Branch</b>	<sup>3</sup> John 6:35-48 <b>Bread of Life</b>	<sup>4</sup> Isaiah 28:16 <b>Cornerstone</b>	<sup>5</sup> John 10:1-10 <b>Gate</b>	<sup>6</sup> John 10:11-18 <b>Good Shepherd</b>	<sup>7</sup> Hebrews 4:14-16 <b>Great High Priest</b>	<sup>8</sup> John 8:48-58 <b>I AM</b>
<sup>9</sup> Isaiah 7:10-14 <b>Immanuel</b>	<sup>10</sup> Matthew 1:18-25 <b>Jesus</b>	<sup>11</sup> Matthew 2:1-12 <b>King of the Jews</b>	<sup>12</sup> John 1:29-34 <b>Lamb of God</b>	<sup>13</sup> John 8:12 <b>Light of the World</b>	<sup>14</sup> Revelation 5:1-10 <b>Lion of the Tribe of Judah</b>	<sup>15</sup> Philippians 2:9-11 <b>Lord of All</b>
<sup>16</sup> Revelation 17:14 <b>Lord of lords &amp; King of kings</b>	<sup>17</sup> Isaiah 53:1-12 <b>Man of Sorrows</b>	<sup>18</sup> 1 Timothy 2:5-6 <b>Mediator</b>	<sup>19</sup> John 1:35-42 <b>Messiah</b>	<sup>20</sup> Luke 24:19 <b>Prophet</b>	<sup>21</sup> Job 19:25 <b>Redeemer</b>	<sup>22</sup> John 11:25-26 <b>Resurrection &amp; Life</b>
<sup>23</sup> Revelation 22:16 <b>Root of David &amp; Morning Star</b>	<sup>24</sup> Luke 2:1-20 <b>Savior</b>	<sup>25</sup> Isaiah 52:13-15 <b>Servant</b>	<sup>26</sup> Luke 1:26-35 <b>Son of God</b>	<sup>27</sup> Luke 19:10 <b>Son of Man</b>	<sup>28</sup> John 15:1-8 <b>True Vine</b>	<sup>29</sup> John 14:1-7 <b>Way, Truth &amp; Life</b>
<sup>30</sup> Isaiah 9:1-7 <b>Wonderful Counselor (and 3 others)</b>	<sup>31</sup> John 1:1-14 <b>Word</b>					

### Inexpensive & Easy Christmas Gift Ideas

