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"Without Christ, there would not be a Christmas, so why are we removing Him from it?"

Christmas Only in a Museum?

A few years ago, we took our granddaughters to see the [National Christmas Center](#). It was really enjoyable. They had exhibits from the 50's, from around the world, streets of memories, history of Christmas, Santa's, toy train mountain, animations, antique emporium, life size story of Jesus' birth, and hundreds of nativity scenes. I saw the American Flyer train that I still have. I saw the Plasticville buildings that I once enjoyed. I saw the nativity set that my parents had in the fireplace every year. I felt and heard the spirit and excitement of Christmas. It is a must see place.

I remember, we had one of those sliver trees that the light on the floor would turn different colors. I remember our life size nativity set outside. I remember on Christmas Eve our father would read us the Night Before Christmas and the Christmas story to get us asleep.. I remember the excitement of waking up, wearing those PJs with the feet in them, and seeing the presents under the tree. I remember those GI Joe toys, Hot Wheels, and toy soldiers. One year, I got this big Army whirlybird. I hung it from our bunkbed and played with it all night. I remember all the relatives would get together at my Grandfather's. We would exchange gifts and have fun. I remember we could sing Christmas carols at school and could say Merry Christmas. I remember hearing and seeing the Christmas Story. That was when Jesus was the reason for the season.

Today, you cannot put nativity scenes up in many places. Christmas carols are no longer heard. Many places including churches are presenting seasonal entertainment instead of Christ worship. Even the word Christmas is being called offensive and being replaced with the word Holiday. If we do not put the Baby Jesus back soon, then Christmas will only be found in a museum like this.



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[Watch "Oh Holy Night"](#)



"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11



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