**SANTA CHRIST**

“*He knows when you’ve been bad or good, so be good for goodness sake.*”

“Santa Claus is Coming to Town”

### The spiritual pulse of America:

- **95%** - Believe in God
- **85%** - Believe in miracles
- **84%** - Believe that Jesus is “God or the Son of God”
- **83%** - Believe that “we will all be called before God on Judgment day to answer for our sins”
- **83%** - Catholics who believe that there is an afterlife (1990s)
- **74%** - Catholics who believe that there is an afterlife (1970s)
- **70%** - Believe that good works will get you into heaven
- **64%** - Agree with the statement: “Christians, Jews, Muslims, and Buddhists pray to the same God, even though they use different names for God”
- **44%** - God is a man
- **43%** - God is genderless
- **41%** - Believe that the Bible is totally accurate
- **40%** - Believe that Jesus lived a sinless life
- **40%** - Call themselves “born again” Christians
- **36%** - Have personally experienced or witnessed a miracle
- **31%** - Believe hell is a “place of physical torment where people may be sent
- **27%** - Believe Satan is real
- **01%** - God is a woman

### COMPARISON BETWEEN JESUS CHRIST AND SANTA CLAUS

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<td>9. Omniscient (knows all) (Psalm 139:1-4; Hebrews 4:13; 1 John 3:20) The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good. (Proverbs 15:3)</td>
<td>9. Omniscient - knows if you have been good or bad, for the entire year</td>
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<td>15. Jesus ascends on high and gives gifts, especially the Gift of Eternal life. (Ephesians 4:7-8; Romans 6:23)</td>
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<td>16. Jesus gives his gifts according to whether you are good or bad. (Revelation 2:23)</td>
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<td>20. Commands children to obey parents (Ephesians 6:1)</td>
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<td>22. Judges (Romans 14:10; Revelation 20:2)</td>
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<td>24. Christ Child (Matthew 1:23; Luke 2:11-12)</td>
<td>24. Kris Kringle (means christ child) Santa Claus is also known as &quot;Kriss Kringle&quot;, (In Scandinavian countries etc), which is a corruption of the German “Christ Kindl”, meaning Christ Child.</td>
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What, in the opinion of the average American, does it take to get into heaven?

What, in the opinion of the average American, is heaven like?

If you don’t care for God here on earth, what makes you think you’ll enjoy spending eternity with Him?

Is heaven more about escaping hell and problems than spending eternity with God?

What do advertisers tell us heaven is like?

What does the Bible (Jesus) say is the way to heaven?

What does the Bible say about heaven?

Is Santa Claus anything like Jesus Christ?

What attributes of Jesus do we preserve in Santa and which do we exclude?

Why do we as Americans prefer Santa over Jesus?

Does Christmas have anything to do with Jesus, on average?

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