

# CHRIST'S COMING AND TRADITION *from* MARK 7:1-13

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There is one major reason why Christ came to this earth. Filled with love, mercy, grace, He was made in our likeness, lived among us a sinless life and then further humbled Himself by yielding His life to the death of Calvary's Cross on our behalf (Phil 2:7-8). *For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost* (Luke 19:10). While there was one major reason for His coming, there were also many applications. In Matt 5:17, Jesus gives us one of these applications. *Think not that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.*

1. Tradition and Religion (Mark 7:1-6)

2. Tradition and Worship (Mark 7:7)

3. Tradition and the Word of God (Mark 7:8-13).

## JESUS CHRIST: OUR LORD AND SAVIOR ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE

1. Has white hair like wool (Rev 1:14)
2. Has a beard (Isaiah 50:6)
3. Comes in red apparel Isaiah (63:1-2)
4. Hour of His coming is a mystery (Luke 12:40; Mark 13:33)
5. Comes from the North where He lives (Ezekiel 1:4; Psalm 48:2)
6. Is a carpenter (Mark 6:3)
7. Comes as a thief in the night (Matthew 24:43-44)
8. Omnipotent -- all powerful (Rev 19:6)
9. Omniscient -- knows all (Hebrews 4:13; 1 John 3:20)
10. Omnipresent (Psalm 139:7-10; Ephesians 4:6; John 3:13)
11. Ageless, eternal (Rev 1:8; 21:6)
12. Lives in men (1 Cor 3:16; 2 Cor 6:16-17)
13. Giver of Gifts (Ephesians 4:8)
14. Absolute Truth (John 14:6)
15. Sits on a throne (Rev 5:1; Heb 1:8)
16. We are told to boldly go to the throne of Grace for our needs (Heb 4:16)
17. Commands children to obey parents
18. Wants little children to come to Him (Mark 10:14)
19. Judges (Rom 14:10; Rev 20:2)
20. Everlasting Father (Isa 9:6; Heb 12:2)
21. Christ Child (Matt 1:23; Luke 2:11-12)
22. Worthy of Prayers and Worship (Rev 5:14 Heb. 1:6)
23. Lord of Hosts (Mal 3:5; Isa 8:13; Psalms 24:10)
24. God says, "Ho, ho ..." (Zechariah 2:6)
25. Prince of Peace, the Image of God (Isa 9:6; Heb. 1:3)

## SANTA CLAUS: THE COUNTERFEIT ACCORDING TO MYTH OF MEN

1. Has white hair like wool
2. Has a beard
3. Comes in red apparel
4. Hour of his coming is a mystery
5. Comes from the North where he lives: North Pole
6. Is a toy carpenter
7. Comes as a thief in the night. Even gains entrance to homes as a thief.
8. Omnipotent -- can deliver all the toys of the world in one night
9. Omniscient -- knows if you have been good or bad, for the entire year
10. Omnipresent -- sees when you wake or sleep. Has to be everywhere at once to be able to deliver all the toys in one short night.
11. Lives forever
12. Lives in the hearts of children
13. Giver of Gifts
14. Absolute Fable - (1 Tim 1:4; 4:7; 2 Tim 4:4)
15. Sits on a throne
16. Children are bidden to approach his throne to ask for anything they want
17. Tells children to obey parents
18. Bids children to come unto him
19. Judges whether you were good or bad
20. Father Christmas
21. Kris Kringle (means christ child)
22. Prayers and worship to "St. Nick" by children
23. Lord over a host of elves - (In Druidic religion, elves are demons or tree spirits)
24. Santa says, "Ho, ho, ho ..."
25. Symbol of World Peace, the image of the Christmas Season