

MORE MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT CHRISTMAS

Reference: Miscellaneous Scripture
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In a societal sense probably nothing is more misunderstood than is Christmas so in both parts of this message we are examining some common Christmas misconceptions.

FIRST Misconception: Jesus probably wasn't born in 1 A.D..

SECOND Misconception: Jesus probably wasn't born on December 25th.

THIRD Misconception: No one knows how Mary journeyed to Bethlehem.

FOURTH Misconception: No one knows how long Mary was in Bethlehem before she gave birth.

FIFTH Misconception: No one knows if either Mary or Joseph even met an innkeeper.

SIXTH Misconception: No one knows if Jesus was born in a stable.

SEVENTH Misconception: Jesus was an infant and infants do cry.

EIGHTH Misconception: The wise men (Magi) who wanted to find Jesus weren't actual kings and no one knows their exact number or if those men rode on camels.

NINTH Misconception: The wise men (Magi) did not find Jesus and worship Him at the time of His birth.

TENTH Misconception: ___**mas** doesn't eliminate Christ from Christmas.

X is actually the Greek letter "chi" that was used as an _____ to represent the Greek word "Christos" translated as Christ.

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ELEVENTH Misconception: The Immaculate Conception is referring to _____ and not His mother, Mary.

Reference: **Luke 1:26-28; 46** and **47** (see screen)

Definition: Original sin is the state of sin that is characteristic of all human beings as a result of the first man's (Adam's) _____ or _____ sin.

The reason all men (with the exception of Jesus) are conceived and born with the original sin (ancestral sin, sin nature, etc.) is because original sin is reproduced from generation to generation through the _____ (father's) genetics.

Reference: **Romans 5:12, 17, 19** (see screen)

TWELFTH Misconception: Christians can legitimately _____ Christmas.

Reference: **Luke 2:8-14** (see screen)

Martin Luther held to the "_____ principle" meaning we can worship God how we wish as long as it isn't something forbidden in Scripture.

John Calvin held to the "_____ principle" meaning we can worship God only according to how Scripture specifically commands us to worship him.

Reference: **Romans 14:5, 6a** (see screen)