

Keep the Light of Christ in Christmas

The light of the world has come! His coming is the thing we celebrate at Christmas. From the beginning, His light drew people who hungered for truth from far and wide.

There has been a lot of discussion about what day of the year Jesus was actually born. The truth is, we may not know the exact day or date He was born, but here's what we know: He was born, He lived, He was crucified and He rose again.

Removing God From Public Display

Statistics say most Americans are favorable to public displays of the Ten Commandments, nativity scenes and other Judeo-Christian and Christmas themes. Yet, there is a minority who are proactively using the letter of the law to coerce the majority to cower to the beliefs of the few, banning any mention of God whatsoever in public.

Increasingly over the last few decades, we have witnessed an intentional attempt to remove any semblance of Christ, Christianity, even *CHRIST*-mas from the public square. Sadly, over the years, we have seen the effect strike even the church. There has been a gradual removal of anything deemed offensive to the very few, even at the behest of the majority.

A few years ago, I had the pleasure of meeting and ministering with Stephan Tchividjian, eldest grandson of Billy Graham. One of the things I remember him saying was, "Rules without relationship lead to rebellion." This explains what we see happening more and more in our country today, as those who have no relationship with the God of the Commandments have rebelled to the point of opposing any representation of Him in the public arena.

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