

The Gift of Love

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Why was Jesus born?

1. To **E** _____ **MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT GOD.**

"This is why I was born and came into the world: to tell people the truth."
John 18:37

"No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made Him known." John 1:18 (also 1:1, 1:14)

"Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father." John 14:9

"He (Jesus) is the light to reveal God to the nations." Luke 2:32

2. To **E** _____ **THE LOVE OF GOD.**

(Jeremiah 31:3, Zephaniah 3:17, Psalm 136:1, Lamentations 3:22)

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son ..." John 3:16

"God showed how much he loved us by sending his only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him." 1 John 4:9

"May you be able to feel and understand as all God's children should, how long, how wide, how deep, and how high his love really is; and to experience this love for yourselves, though it is so great that you will never see the end of it or fully know or understand it." Ephesians 3:18-19

3. To **E** _____ **A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.**

This is real love ... that God loved us and sent His Son as a sacrifice to take away our sin. 1 John 4:10

"His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave him great pleasure." Ephesians 1:5

"So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God - all because of what our Lord Jesus Christ has done for us in making us friends of God." Romans 5:11

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us ... Ephesians 5:1-2