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## FEAST OF TABERNACLES 2022

We had a wonderful Feast of Tabernacles. Many great speakers gave us lots of information. Just because the week is over doesn't mean we are not to continue studying and learning! The more we study, the easier it will be to share with others. We need to share the good news!

You can find all of the speakers on our YouTube channel. ([www.BibleExplorations.com/YT](http://www.BibleExplorations.com/YT)) We are moving some over to share on our 24/7 broadcasting, too, giving more variety in our programming. Share with your friends and family, and show them how to join us and learn more of God's word. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:" *II Timothy 3:16*

### THE GREAT TEACHER

By Ellen G. White

For this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. *John 18:37*

Christ was the greatest teacher the world has ever known. He came to this earth to shed abroad the bright beams of

truth, that men might gain a fitness for heaven. "For this cause came I into the world that I should bear witness unto the truth." He came to reveal the character of the Father, that men might be led to worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Man's need for a divine teacher was known in heaven. The pity and sympathy of God were aroused in behalf of human beings, fallen and bound to Satan's chariot car; and when the fullness of time was come, He sent forth His Son. The One appointed in the councils of heaven came to this earth as man's instructor. The rich benevolence of God gave Him to our world, and to meet the necessities of human nature He took humanity upon Himself. To the astonishment of the heavenly host, the eternal Word came to this world as a helpless babe. Fully prepared, He left the royal courts and mysteriously allied Himself with fallen human beings. "The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us" (*John 1:14*).

When Christ left His high command, He might have taken upon Him any condition in life that He chose. But greatness and rank were nothing to Him, and He chose the most humble walk of life. No luxury, ease, or self-gratification came into His experience. The truth of heavenly origin was to be His theme; He was to sow the world with truth, and He lived in such a way as to be accessible to all.

That during His childhood Christ should grow in wisdom and in favor with God and man was not a matter of astonishment; for it was according to the laws of His divine appointment that His talents should develop and His faculties strengthen. He did not seek an education in the schools of the rabbis, for God was His instructor. As He grew older He continued to increase in wisdom. He applied Himself diligently to a study of the Scriptures, for He knew them to be full of invaluable instruction. He was

faithful in the discharge of His home duties; and the early morning hours, instead of being spent in bed, often found Him in a retired place, searching the Scriptures and praying to His heavenly Father.

All the prophecies concerning His work and mediation were familiar to Him, especially those having reference to His humiliation, atonement, and intercession. The object of His life on earth was ever before Him, and He rejoiced to think that the gracious purpose of the Lord should prosper in His hands....

His words comforted, strengthened, and blessed those who were longing for the peace that He alone could give. (Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and Students, 259, 260), Lift Him Up, Pg 166.



**THE SABBATH**  
By Ted Schultz

Have you noticed in the last few years that interest in the Sabbath has grown? Pastors of other denominations are studying the Sabbath. In fact, whole churches are switching from keeping Sunday to keeping the seventh day Sabbath. Even the unchurched are commenting and inquiring about the Sabbath. One of the leading questions people have is: if the Bible teaches that the seventh day Sabbath is God's holy Sabbath, why is almost everyone going to church on Sunday?

We, as Seventh-day Adventists, know the answer to that question. Many, however, do not know the history of how the change from the seventh day to the first day came about. There are those who, when they learn the simple truth of how the change came about, are amazed. When the information is placed before them they find it easy to understand and to believe.

“Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.” Genesis 2: 1-3.

At creation, God blessed and sanctified the seventh day. *To sanctify* means *to make holy and set apart for holy use*. Genesis 2:2 also says: “He rested on the seventh day.” The underlying word for “rested” in the Hebrew is *Shabath* which in English is *Sabbath*. We could say God *sabbathed* on the seventh day. The word Sabbath in the fourth commandment of Exodus 20:10 comes from the same Hebrew word.

The seven literal days of creation can be traced through Bible history. The Bible gives us a clear history of the weekly cycle of seven days that is with us to this very day. A year is one revolution of the earth around the sun. A month is one revolution of the moon around the earth. A day is one revolution of the earth on its axis. A week, however, is not related to the revolution of the earth or any celestial body. The week of seven literal days stands as an immutable testimony to all mankind of the creation account as given in the first two chapters of the Bible in the book of Genesis. It is not upon scientific principles that the weekly cycle can be explained. The seventh day of the week is a recurring reminder that “in him [our Creator] we live, and move, and have our being.” Acts 17:28.

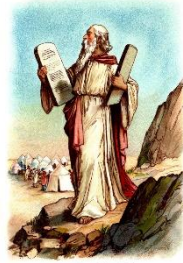
It is by the Bible alone that the weekly cycle is explained. Just as the week originated at creation and has come down to our time, likewise, the Sabbath originated at creation and has been preserved as the seventh day of the week to the present time. Genesis makes no mention of the earth and all living things on it evolving into existence over exceedingly long and indefinite periods of time. On the contrary, the Genesis account of creation simply says, “And God said.” He spoke into existence everything He created. The Psalmist declared, “By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.” “For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast.” Ps 33:6, 9.

He “laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed forever.” Psalm 104:5. The apostle Paul speaks of the Son of God, the Saviour, as the creator of the world. “Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands.” Hebrews 1:10. The apostle brings out a very important point in our understanding of the creation account. “Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not

made of things which do appear.” Hebrews 11:3. Man is incapable of comprehending this kind of power. There is no man alive that can, by speaking, cause something to come into physical, literal existence. The testimony of Scriptures on the creative power of Christ must be accepted by faith. Yet He has given much evidence upon which we base our faith. One of those evidences is the creation week of seven days that is with us to this present time.

When this world was created, God attached a sacredness to the seventh day that He did not attach to any other day of the week. The seventh day of the week is peculiar in this regard. Nothing else was created on that day of the week. On the seventh day only, sacred time was called into existence so that He could spend special time with His created beings. “God is love.” 1 John 4:8. It was out of love that He created the world and created the Sabbath day. Jesus said, “The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath.” Mark 2:27. Jesus wants everyone to know that He did not make man to serve the Sabbath. It was the other way around. He made the Sabbath to be a source of never-ending blessing to man.

Nearly 2,500 years after creation when God gave the law from Sinai, He said, “Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy.” Exodus 20:8. The Creator was calling upon His created ones to call to memory the seventh day Sabbath of creation. The last part of the commandment says, “for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.” Exodus 20:11. The purpose of the commandment is clear. In keeping this holy time holy, man was to always keep in mind that “thou, LORD, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands.” Hebrews 1:10.



This call to worship the Creator centers squarely on the fourth commandment which calls upon everyone to remember their Creator by keeping the seventh day Sabbath holy. It is interesting to note the behavior of humanity toward this institution that the Creator blessed and sanctified at creation. Ancient Israel came to despise the Sabbath. “Because they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols.” Ezekiel 20:16.

Nearly six hundred years before the time of Christ’s first coming, the prophet Ezekiel revealed the attitude of God’s covenant people toward His law, especially His Sabbath. “Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things; they have put no difference between the holy and profane [common], neither have they showed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.” “And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.” Ezekiel 22:26, 30. At creation, the seventh day Sabbath was sanctified and made holy, but this holy day had come to be nothing more than a common work day. The Sabbath, being one of God’s holy things, was profaned. The people simply closed their eyes to the plain statements of the Scriptures. The blindness that came over the people was a self-imposed blindness. As a consequence, the depths to which they sank was breathtaking. The Lord looked for someone to stand in the gap and engage in the work of restoring His downtrodden law, but He found none. The Lord sent the prophet Jeremiah to speak to the leaders and the people of the nation in an effort to bring reform. “Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying, Thou shalt surely die.” Jeremiah 26:8. The anger and hatred manifested toward the prophet was so intense that they set about to kill him. But they did not want him to die quickly so they threw him in a mud pit to waste away very slowly until he would finally perish. They wanted him to suffer a great deal before he died. This spirit manifested by God’s unfaithful covenant people has been manifested down through the ages. It was this same spirit that moved the professed people of

God to put the prophet Isaiah in a log and saw him in half. And it was this same spirit that led to the torture and death of countless souls for keeping the Sabbath during the darkness of the middle ages.

Hundreds of years before the prophets Jeremiah and Ezekiel, Baal worship was so widely practiced that the Lord had to comfort the prophet Elijah with a most dismal statistic. “Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal [the sun god of Phoenicia].” 1 Kings 19:18. If, for example, there were seven million in the nation of Israel at that time, seven thousand out of seven million would be only one tenth of one percent. This statistic demonstrates just how widespread the apostasy was. Baal worship had almost extinguished, and made of no effect, the fourth commandment of the Decalogue. Almost, but not completely. God has always had His faithful remnant who have steadfastly remembered what God said to remember. The ancient apostasy of Ezekiel’s time was a blending of pagan sun worship with the worship of the true creator God. The general history of ancient Israel is one of people, princes, priests, pastors, and even false prophets against God’s true prophets. God has preserved a great deal of this ancient history in the testimony of the Old Testament prophets. The apostle Paul tells us that the history of Israel was recorded especially for those living at the end of time. “Now all these things happened unto them for examples, and they are written for our admonition [instruction], upon whom the ends of the world are come.” 1 Corinthians 10:11. The apostle Paul saw that the history of ancient Israel would be repeated in the experience of professed Christians at the end of time, and that it would be essential to understand that history so the failures of ancient Israel would not be repeated. “Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day [the second coming of Christ] shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.” 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4. Just as ancient Israel deviated from the worship of their Creator and began to worship the created, so it will be before Christ returns. What will God do to meet this crisis? He will do what He did anciently. “And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou



shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.” Isaiah 58:12.

It will be those who come out from the prevailing apostasy that will carry on this work of restoring the law of God in the earth. This final work is brought out in the messages of the three angels in Revelation 14. The three angels are symbolic representations of those who will call the world to “worship Him that made heaven and earth.” Rev. 14:7. This calls for the world to remember the creation account as found in Genesis. These messages are a reminder that this world and all humanity came from the Creator’s hand. The world will be reminded of the creation week ending with the seventh day Sabbath. It will be seen that there is no place in all of Scripture that states that God withdrew or canceled the sacredness and holiness of that day. The preaching of the true Bible Sabbath of creation has always caused a persecuting spirit to rise up against it. The spirit of Satan has always been against Christ the Creator of this world. It was this spirit that led the people to forget the law of God and to forget, especially, the very commandment that says REMEMBER. When man becomes careless in the things that God said to remember, then other things enter to take its place. Thus, man is weaned away from his affection, love, and fidelity to His Creator. In the end, man becomes so perverted that he hates his own Creator. Sacred history bears out that it is most often the leaders of the professed people of God that lead out in this Antichrist work.

It was the chief priests and the elders of the people that led the nation to reject and crucify Christ. “When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death.” Matthew 27:1. “But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus.” “Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.” Matthew 27:20, 25. Never did more

horrible words fall from human lips. These words did not come from the mouths of pagans. They came from the most spiritually favored of all people on the earth at that time. How did it happen? Jesus could have perhaps given several reasons why His people rejected Him, but He mentioned only one – the rejection of His prophets. “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!” Matthew 23:37. One senses the broken heart of Christ as He pours forth His lamentation. Through His prophets from Moses to Malachi God pleaded for His people to return to fidelity to His law, but they paid little heed. The Old Testament closes with a plea and a warning: “Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.” Malachi 4:4. If the people had been obedient to this instruction they would have been ready for His first coming. Jesus said, “For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?” John 5:46, 47. “If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.” Luke 16:31. And what of the present generation? Do we believe the writings of Moses as found in Genesis in regard to the creation of the world and the institution of the holy seventh-day Sabbath?

Satan will once again work through religious leaders to bring about the destruction of God’s people just as he worked through the leaders of the Jews to bring about the destruction of Christ. But what was Christ’s defense when tempted by the devil in the wilderness? It was, “It is written,” Matthew 4:4, “It is written,” Matthew 4:7, “It is written,” Matthew 4:10. Jesus, in these instances, was quoting from the law of Moses. In fact, when Jesus gave the gospel commission to His disciples, He referred to the law of Moses. The gospel labor involved “Teaching them **to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded** you.” Matthew 28:20. This is a clear reference to the law of Moses which says “And it shall be our righteousness, **if we observe to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.**” Deuteronomy 6:25. The Ten Commandments, God’s law of love, are found in the law of Moses. At the heart of the Decalogue is the Sabbath commandment.

This commandment is part of that which is to be taught and observed in the gospel commission.

“Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor the maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.” Exodus 20:8-11. *(To be continued...)*

## OUR GREAT AND BLESSED HOPE



We have had many pass away in recent months and years. This has been so hard on us and our hearts. However, we have a hope that many in the world today do not have. We are waiting for that wonderful resurrection and to see our loved ones again! I believe that day is coming soon. What a wonderful day! Please pray for people today. Pray we can share His love with the world. Pray we can share this hope and encouragement with the world. People need it now more than ever. So much sadness in the world today. People need to know of His love for them. We must be strong, have faith and hold tight just a little while longer. I love these words and the story behind this song.

## IT IS WELL...

When peace like a river attendeth my way  
 When sorrows like sea billows roll  
 Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say  
 It is well, it is well with my soul  
 It is well (it is well)  
 With my soul (with my soul)  
 It is well, it is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come  
 Let this blest assurance control  
 That Christ (yes, He has) has regarded my helpless estate  
 And has shed His own blood for my soul  
 It is well (it is well)  
 With my soul (with my soul)  
 It is well, it is well with my soul

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought (a thought)  
 My sin, not in part, but the whole (every bit, all of it)  
 Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more (yes!)  
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well (it is well)  
With my soul (with my soul)

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend  
Even so, it is well with my soul!  
It is well (it is well)  
With my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well with my soul

### **KEEP YOUR EYES ON CHRIST!**

*But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. Hebrews 11:6*

Viewed from its human side, life is to all an untried path. It is a path in which, as regards our deeper experiences, we each walk alone. Into our inner life no other human being can fully enter. As the little child sets forth on that journey in which, sooner or later, he must choose his own course, himself deciding life's issues for eternity, how earnest should be the effort to direct his trust to the sure Guide and Helper! As a shield from temptation and an inspiration to purity and truth, no other influence can equal the sense of God's presence. "All things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do." He is "of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity." Hebrews 4:13; Habakkuk 1:13. This thought was Joseph's shield amidst the corruptions of Egypt. To the allurements of temptation his answer was steadfast: "How can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" Genesis 39:9. Such a shield, faith, if cherished, will bring to every soul. **Education, Chapter 30 "Faith and Prayer"**

**Obedience to God Delivers From Passion and Impulse**  
Obedience to God is liberty from the thralldom of sin, deliverance from human passion and impulse. Man may stand conqueror of himself, conqueror of his own inclinations, conqueror of principalities and powers, and of "the rulers of the darkness of this world," and of "spiritual wickedness in high places." **Ministry of Healing, 131 (1905)**

#### **Emotions to Be Controlled by Will**

Your part is to put your will on the side of Christ. When you yield your will to His, He immediately takes possession of you, and works in you to will and to do of His good pleasure. Your nature is brought under the control of His Spirit. Even your thoughts are subject to Him.

If you cannot control your impulses, your emotions, as you may desire, you can control the will, and thus an entire change will be wrought in your life. When you yield up

your will to Christ, your life is hid with Christ in God. It is allied to the power which is above all principalities and powers. You have a strength from God that holds you fast to His strength; and a new life, even the life of faith, is possible to you. **Christian Temperance and Bible Hygiene, 148**

Nature's fine and wonderful mechanism needs to be constantly exercised in order to be in a condition to accomplish the object for which it was designed. The doing nothing system is a dangerous one in any case. Physical exercise in the direction of useful labor has a happy influence upon the mind, strengthens the muscles, improves the circulation, and gives the invalid the satisfaction of knowing how much he can endure, and that he is not wholly useless in this busy world; whereas, if this is restricted, his attention is turned to himself, and he is in constant danger of exaggerating his difficulties. If invalids would engage in some well-directed physical exercise, using their strength but not abusing it, they would find it an effective agent in their recovery.

When the weather will permit, those who are engaged in sedentary occupations, should, if possible, walk out in the open air every day, summer and winter. The clothing should be suitable, and the feet well protected. Walking is often more beneficial to health than all the medicine that can be prescribed. For those who can endure it, walking is preferable to riding; for it brings all the muscles into exercise. The lungs also are forced into healthy action since it is impossible to walk in the bracing air of a winter morning without inflating them.

Exercise aids the dyspeptic by giving the digestive organs a healthy tone. To engage in deep study or violent exercise immediately after eating, hinders the digestive process; for the vitality of the system, which is needed to carry on the work of digestion, is called away to other parts. But a short walk after a meal, with the head erect and the shoulders back, exercising moderately, is a great benefit. The mind is diverted from self to the beauties of nature. The less the attention is called to the stomach, the better. If you are in constant fear that your food will hurt you, it most assuredly will. Forget your troubles; think of something cheerful.

More people die for want of exercise than from overwork; very many more rust out than wear out. In idleness the blood does not circulate freely, and the changes in the vital fluid, so necessary to health and life, do not take place. The little mouths in the skin, through which the body breathes, become clogged, thus making it impossible to eliminate impurities through that channel. This throws a double burden upon the other excretory organs, and disease is soon produced. Those who accustom themselves to exercising in the open air, generally have a vigorous circulation. Men and women, young or old, who desire

health and who would enjoy life, should remember that they cannot have these without a good circulation. Whatever their business or inclinations, they should feel it a religious duty to make wise efforts to overcome the conditions of disease which have kept them in-doors.  
**Christian Temperance and Bible Hygiene, Ch. 11**

## UNCLOG YOUR BRAIN

We should not provide for the Sabbath a more liberal supply or a greater variety of food than for other days. Instead of this, the food should be more simple, and less should be eaten, in order that the mind may be clear and vigorous to comprehend spiritual things. A clogged stomach means a clogged brain. The most precious words may be heard and not appreciated, because the mind is confused by an improper diet. By overeating on the Sabbath, many do more than they think, to unfit themselves for receiving the benefit of its sacred opportunities. **The Ministry of Healing, 307, 1905**

## VEGAN RECIPE CORNER!

### Tomato Bisque Soup

Charmaine Vierra

#### Ingredients:

3 Tbs. avocado oil  
1 onion, thinly sliced  
4 cloves garlic, minced  
½ tsp. thyme leaves  
2 tsp. Himalayan Salt  
2 medium canned plum tomatoes  
1 medium butternut squash (about 2 pounds), peeled, halved, seeded, and diced small  
4 cups vegetable broth

#### Preparation:

In large pot, soften the onion and garlic in oil above medium heat. Raise heat to medium-high, add the tomatoes, squash, Himalayan salt, thyme, and continue cooking until the squash is tender, about 15 minutes. Add the broth, bring to a simmer, and cook, uncovered, until the vegetables are tender, about 20 minutes. Set aside to cool slightly then using hand puree or blender, process soup until smooth. Enjoy!

### Garbanzo UnTuna Salad

Charmaine Vierra

#### Ingredients:

1 can garbanzo beans, drained and rinsed  
½ red onion minced  
½ red bell pepper, diced  
1 stalk celery, minced

Dill, dried or fresh  
Dulse Kelp Garlic powder, 1 tsp. (optional)  
Vegenaise

Fixings: pita bread, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, sliced red onion, olives or pepperoncini.

**Preparation:** Place garbanzos in a food processor with “S” blade and pulse until consistency of tuna (do not over process!). Stir in the vegetables, dill, dulse and kelp. Spoon in Vegenaise as desired and mix thoroughly by hand. Use as sandwich stuffer or fill deseeded tomatoes, garnish with dill sprig. Serve on your favorite bread with all the fixins’ – lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, sliced red onion, olives or pepperoncini.

## QUINOA TABBOULEH SALAD

Tania Sheff – Eat Something Vegan

#### Ingredients

2 cups cooked quinoa  
1 cup finely diced cucumber  
1 cup finely diced tomato  
½ cup chopped scallions  
½ cup chopped parsley  
¼ cup chopped mint

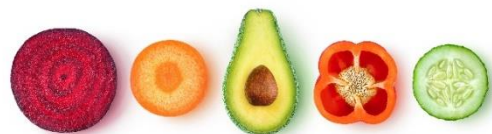
#### The Dressing

¼ cup olive oil  
3 tbsp. lemon juice  
1 garlic clove, minced  
1 tsp. salt or to taste  
¼ tsp. pepper

#### Instructions

To make the dressing, just place the olive oil, lemon juice, salt, pepper, and garlic (optional) into a small jar. Cover it with a lid and shake well.

Place all of the cooked quinoa, diced cucumbers, diced tomatoes, and chopped herbs into a large mixing bowl. Pour the dressing over it and mix well. Serve.



**Jesus IS Coming Soon! Let's Be Ready!**

<b>JESUS CHRIST: OUR LORD AND SAVIOR ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE</b>	<b>SANTA CLAUS: THE COUNTERFEIT ACCORDING TO MYTH OF MEN</b>
1. Has white hair like wool (Rev 1:14)	1. Has white hair like wool
2. Has a beard (Isaiah 50:6)	2. Has a beard
3. Comes in red apparel Isaiah (63:1-2)	3. Comes in red apparel
4. Hour of His coming is a mystery (Luke 12:40; Mark 13:33)	4. Hour of his coming is a mystery
5. Comes from the North where He lives (Ezekiel 1:4; Psalm 48:2)	5. Comes from the North where he lives: North Pole
6. Is a carpenter (Mark 6:3)	6. Is a toy carpenter
7. Comes as a thief in the night (Matthew 24:43-44)	7. Comes as a thief in the night. Even gains entrance to homes as a thief.
8. Omnipotent -- all powerful (Rev 19:6)	8. Omnipotent -- can deliver all the toys of the world in one night
9. Omniscient -- knows all (Hebrews 4:13; 1 John 3:20)	9. Omniscient -- knows if every single child has been good or bad, for the entire year
10. Omnipresent (Psalm 139:7-10; Ephesians 4:6; John 3:13)	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. Ageless, eternal (Rev 1:8; 21:6)	11. Lives forever
12. Lives in men (1 Cor 3:16; 2 Cor 6:16-17)	12. Lives in the hearts of children
13. Giver of Gifts (Ephesians 4:8)	13. Giver of Gifts
14. Absolute Truth (John 14:6)	14. Absolute Fable - (1 Tim 1:4; 4:7; 2 Tim 4:4)
15. Sits on a throne (Rev 5:1; Heb 1:8)	15. Sits on a throne
16. We are told to boldly go to the throne of Grace for our needs (Heb 4:16)	16. Children are bidden to approach his throne to ask for anything they want
17. Commands children to obey parents	17. Tells children to obey parents
18. Wants little children to come to Him (Mark 10:14)	18. Bids children to come unto him
19. Judges (Rom 14:10; Rev 20:2)	19. Judges whether you were good or bad
20. Everlasting Father (Isa 9:6; Heb 12:2)	20. Father Christmas
21. Christ Child (Matt 1:23; Luke 2:11-12)	21. Kris Kringle (means christ child/christ-kind)
22. Worthy of Prayers and Worship (Rev 5:14 Hebrews 1:6)	22. Prayers and worship to "St. Nick" by children
23. Lord of Hosts (Mal 3:5; Isa 8:13; Psalms 24:10)	23. Lord over a host of elves - (In Druidic religion, elves are demons or tree spirits)
24. God says, "Ho, ho ..." (Zechariah 2:6)	24. Santa says, "Ho, ho, ho ..."
25. Prince of Peace, the Image of God (Isa 9:6; Hebrews 1:3)	25. Symbol of World Peace, the image of the Christmas Season