

The Christmas Eve Before Christmas Day

Today marks Christmas Eve Before Christmas Day. A day that signifies family joining together, the closing of shops and store fronts, the shutdown of government offices and the last-minute effort to give the best Christmas wishes. When happy holidays' is the complement and merry Christmas is the scathing insult.

But Christmas is more than just the utter anticipation of gifts and family gatherings, rather it's the joy of giving and kindness. The act of imparting exemplary acts that make others feel included into the social sphere, while suspending the ideological differences of the political sphere. Either/or, Christmas Eve is a day of anticipating the birth of Christ: it's social and ethical good on phenomenological existence.

But as all share an ancestry to Christ birth, and the sanctity of his moral example, more can be done to impart better exemplification. Where acknowledging (the one and the other's) name day can be more genealogically quintessential to the self's relationship to the other -- than the significance of the birth of a religious zealot.

That the birth of a human being, and/or any living entity, is more sacred than the pragmatics of its anthropological-cultural impact. The willingness to accept that horrifying things can potentially occur the day after Christmas morning. And the capacity to empathize with the dire circumstance(s) that makes Christmas into a nightmare after Christmas Day.

And so, Christmas is short-live. There are better days ahead.

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