



Clues Across

- 7 Outward or token appearance (6)
- 8 The basic unit of money in Israel (6)
- 9 A youthful attendant at official functions or ceremonies (4)
- 10 A member of an ancient Jewish sect noted for strict obedience to traditions (8)
- 11 100 years (7)
- 13 The loose soft material that makes up a large part of the land surface (5)
- 15 A prominent mountain, eleven miles west of the Sea of Galilee (5)
- 17 Number of disciples sent forth by Jesus (7)
- 20 An ancient seaport in north western Israel (8)
- 21 Address God (4)
- 22 To separate grain from chaff (6)
- 23 The fruit of an evergreen tree cultivated in the Mediterranean region (6)

Clues Down

- 1 A journey (6)
- 2 Capital city of Italy (4)
- 3 Make ready (7)
- 4 Commonly encountered (5)
- 5 Give entirely to a specific person (8)
- 6 An arid region with little or no vegetation (6)
- 12 Another name for family or clan (8)
- 14 Northern boundary of the land of Canaan (7)
- 16 Arid, an extensive region in the south-west of Asia (6)
- 18 To go from one place to another (6)
- 19 Dull orange (5)
- 21 Two items of the same kind (4)

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Across	Down
7 Locate	1 Honour
8 Beulah,	2 Wave
9 Move	3 Heathen
10 Treasure	4 Abner
11 Prophet	5 Question
13 Bible	6 Barrel
15 Sheep	12 Pleiades
17 Earnest	14 Madness
20 Creation	16 Harlot
21 Seal	18 Stater
22 Forest	19 Piety
23 Silver	21 Sell



Father Christmas or Jesus?

- * Father Christmas lives at the North Pole... JESUS is everywhere.
- * Father Christmas rides in a sleigh... JESUS rides on the wind and walks on the water.
- * Father Christmas comes but once a year.... JESUS is an ever-present help.
- * Father Christmas fills your stockings with goodies... JESUS supplies all your needs.
- * Father Christmas comes down your chimney uninvited... JESUS stands at your door and knocks, and then enters your heart.
- * You have to wait in line to see Father Christmas... JESUS is as close as the mention of his name.
- * Father Christmas lets you sit on his lap... JESUS lets you rest in his arms.
- * Father Christmas doesn't know your name, all he can say is "Hi little boy or girl, what's your name?"... JESUS knew our name before we did. Not only does He know our name, He knows our address too. He knows our history and future and He even knows how many hairs are on our heads.
- * Father Christmas has a belly like a bowl full of jelly... JESUS has a heart full of love.
- * All Father Christmas can offer is HO HO HO... JESUS offers health, help and hope.
- * Father Christmas says, "You better not cry"... JESUS says "Cast all your cares on me for I care for you."
- * Father Christmas's little helpers make toys... JESUS makes new life, mends wounded hearts, repairs broken homes and builds mansions.
- * Father Christmas may make you chuckle but.... JESUS gives you joy that is your strength.
- * While Father Christmas puts gifts under your tree... JESUS became our gift and died on the tree.

It's obvious there is really no comparison. We need to remember WHO Christmas is all about. We need to put Christ back in Christmas; Jesus is still the reason for the season. Yes, Jesus is better; He is even better than Father Christmas.