



## “Do You Know Your Why?”

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People celebrate Christmas in a variety of ways, like gift-giving, house decorating, and family gatherings. But as Jesus-followers, **why** do we celebrate Christmas? We may celebrate it in different **ways** like gift-giving, house decorating, and family gatherings, but that is not our **why**. The **why** is to celebrate the birth of Jesus. It’s important to know the **why** so it doesn’t get lost in the **way** we celebrate. Clarity can untangle hectic schedules so that we don’t have to be wearied by it.

That is true, not only at Christmas, but every day. If we focus on our **why**, we can discover our **way**. So **why** do you exist? What is your core purpose in life? Is it your family, your career, or your finances? What is the primary reason you exist? It’s not that the other things are unimportant. But by focusing on your **why**, you can discover your **way** with greater clarity. I have thought about the question, “Why do I exist?” Here’s what I came up with.

I exist to glorify God by loving him, serving him, and helping others do the same.

When I focus on my **why**, it clarifies my **way**. I don’t have to get entangled with busy work when I can see my primary work. I can prioritize my activities in light of my **why**.

What is your **why**? Why do you exist? How would you answer that? It’s a great question to ponder. Make it a Christmas gift you give to yourself? Write it down. Then, ask how your **why** clarifies and directs your **way**.

