

Whose Party?

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Competent! Outstanding! Careful! Friendly! Supportive!
Bright! Considerate! Caring! Gracious! And the list of words to describe Janet, the secretary to the president of the company, could go on and on. She was loved by everyone in the company.

When it came time for her birthday one year, her co-workers decided to honor her with a lavish party. They rented a beautiful ballroom, hired the best caterer, designed a special cake, had decorative napkins, with her name on them, and collected money to purchase her a gift.

All went well. The tables were perfectly set, the caterer was on time, the guests arrived and excitement filled the room. Everyone kept looking at the entrance awaiting the arrival of Janet. After waiting for twenty minutes, the co-worker who organized the lavish event said to Janet's best friend, "Where is she?"

"I'm not sure, I'll phone her," she replied.

She did - and discovered that Janet was at her favorite sandwich shop enjoying her lunch alone. No one thought to invite ^{Janet} ~~her~~ to her celebration!

There will be many parties this Christmas. And as usual, the Guest will not be invited. Tables will be set, lights will blink, guests will arrive, laughter will ring out, gifts will be exchanged, everyone will have fun - but Jesus will not be present. No one will think to invite Him - the One who should be the main attraction.



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