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Merry Commercialmas



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A lot of people won't have a Merry Christmas mainly because money is tight for them or they will be alone.

Most people have forgotten what the true meaning of Christmas is and unfortunately will never find it.

Commercials claim the true meaning of Christmas lies in the stores. The more money you spend the more you will make others happy.

This to me is the purest form of propaganda.

People this year will over spend and get swept up in the last-minute gift giving, only to regret it come January when the bills start to come in.

The fault lies not in the people, but in the media.

Christmas started to become commercialized long before television.

The true value of Christmas is fading faster and faster with every year.

I've seen Christmas decorations in stores even before Halloween.

This to me is not a good sign of things to come.

Some people still hold family values and religion dear, but unfortunately, new blood is not coming in fast enough.

There will be a lot more than just jobs lost in the future; values may be a thing of the past.

One Christmas special saw this trend and tried to warn people years ago on television.

People say you can't learn anything on television but you can.

Every year since I was a kid, *The Grinch Who Stole Christmas* was on television.

The basic idea of the show is what I'm trying to talk about — Christmas doesn't come in packages or boxes; it doesn't come in bows or ribbons but it comes through the heart.

This year, I'm going to spend more time visiting friends and less time in the shopping malls.

What I'm saying is try to keep the true meaning of Christmas alive as long as possible and give with your heart and not with your wallets or purses.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to one and all !