



Salvation: An Angel's Message to Joseph

Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-7

In this message we come to the third appearance of angels in the Christmas story – the angel appeared to Joseph. Joel Gregory writes: “Joseph is the forgotten man of Christmas.” He is a character with minor credits, there’s not a single syllable that he speaks recorded in Scripture, but what he did speaks so loudly that he really didn’t need to say anything. He is a remarkable example of obedience. Let’s study his story and then apply the lessons to our lives.

I. The Story

A. Joseph face a difficult _____.

B. His sense of _____ prevailed and he decided to distance himself from Mary _____.

C. There are two things different about this angelic appearance:

1. The angel is not _____.

2. The angel appeared in a _____.

D. The angel made several _____ announcements to Joseph.

1. “Do not be _____ to take Mary home as your wife.” (v. 20)

2. “What is conceived in her is from the _____.” (v. 20)

3. “She will give birth to a _____.” (v. 21)

4. “You are to give him the name _____. ” (v. 21)

E. When the dream was over and the angel was gone, Joseph obeyed _____.

II. The Lessons

A. Jesus was sent to _____ us from our sins.

B. What threat does sin pose in our lives?

1. It has the potential to destroy you _____.

2. It has the potential to destroy you _____.

3. It has the potential to destroy you _____.

4. It has the potential to destroy you _____.

5. It has the potential to destroy you _____.

6. It has the potential to destroy us _____.

7. It has the potential to destroy you _____.

C. Jesus Christ came to save us from the consequences of God's _____, to save us _____.