

# The Time Has Come (Luke 2:1-7)

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## Luke 2:1-7 (AV/KJV).

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (*And* this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

## Discussion Questions

1. Did you learn anything new in the discussion about Caesar? Have you ever given much thought to those first 2 verses?
2. Can you relate to what Dan shared about existing in 2 parallel realities? If so, what does that look like for you?
3. Do you ever find yourself "lost in a forest of a million trees"? If so, how do you make your way through it? If not, how do you avoid this in our hyper-busy world?
4. Do you struggle with happiness during the Christmas season? How can we as a community support you in this?

5. Do you struggle with Joy during this season? If so, what is keeping you from experiencing this?