UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN

OPEN: WHY IS THE BIRTH OF YESHUA NOT XMAS STILL RELEVANT FOR THE PRESENT?

1] IT'S IN THE BIBLE

MAT 5:18

For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

21 IT'S A BLESSING

PRO 25:2

It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, But the glory of kings is to search out a matter.

3| IT HELPS BUILD OUR FAITH

ROM 10:17

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

PROPHECIES OF YESHUA' BIRTH IS ALWAYS CONNECTED TO THE WHOLE STORY

ISA 9:1-7 THE PROPHECY STARTS IN VS 1 AND CLIMAX IN VS7 [LAST WEEK]

ISA 9:6 FOR A CHILD WILL BE BORN TO US = BETHLEHEM

WHY NOT JERUSALEM IT'S CALLED THE CITY OF THE KING

MAT 5:34-35

34 But I say to you, make no oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, 35 or by the earth, for it is the footstool of His feet, or by <u>Jerusalem</u>, for it is the city of the great King.

1] GOD PROPHESIED IT WOULD HAPPEN THERE....... #1 IT'S IN THE BIBLE]
WHY BETHLEHEM? BECAUSE GOD SAID SO
MAT 2:1-6 MICAH WAS THE PROPHET [MIC 5:2]

2] WHAT WAS GOD'S PURPOSE FOR CHOOSING BETHLEHEM? [#2 IT FOR OUR BLESSING]

LET'S START WITH THE NAME BETHLEHEM

BETH = HOUSE LECHEM = BREAD / HOUSE OF BREAD LUKE 2:8 FIELDS = agros = HAMLET, COUNTRYSIDE, FRAMS BOOK OF RUTH AND THE WHEAT AND BARLEY FIELDS

IT WAS HERE IN THE HOUSE OF BREAD / BETHLEHEM THAT THE SON OF GOD
WOULD COME TO BEGIN HIS LIFE SO THAT HE COULD BECOME THE BREAD OF
LIFE
JOHN 6:48-51

LECHEM IS ALSO THE WORD FOR FOOD

BLESSING OF GOD FOR THE FOOD IN HEBREW FOOD OR MEALS WAS A SIGN OF FELLOWSHIP [LUAUS]

THIS GOES BACK TO HIS NAME IMMANUEL / GOD WITH US [ISA 7:14] WHY DOES GOD WANT TO BE WITH US? FELLOWSHIP A MEAL WITH SOMEONE MEANT FELLOWSHIP TOOK PLACE PS 23:5 THIS IS WHY YOU SEE JESUS EATING ALL THE TIME

AT THE BIRTH OF YESHUA GOD WAS MAKING A POINT, HE WANTED FELLOWSHIP WITH HUMANITY THIS IS ONE OF HIS REASONS OF WHY HE CHOSE BETHLEHEM

THIS IS WHY IT IS SO RELEVANT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THE BIRTH OF JESUS IN THE BIBLICAL CONTEXT

THEN YOU WILL ALSO UNDERSTAND WHY SATAN HAS RIP IT OFF GOD IS STILL WITH US AND HE WANTS TO BREAK BREAD WITH YOU REV 3:20

A CHILD WILL BE BORN TO US TO SAVE US NO [FLY IN].....A CHILD IS BORN TO US TOO FULFILL THE DESIRE OF GOD'S HEART WHICH IS TO SAVE US

2 PET 3:9

The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

TO SAVE US FROM WHAT? OUR SIN THAT SEPARATE'S US FROM FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM

HOW DOES HE SAVE US? "A SON WILL BE GIVEN TO US" = GOLGOTHA

JOHN 3:16..... [#3THIS BUILDS OUR FAITH]

ANOTHER REASON WHY GOD CHOSE BETHLEHEM IS THAT IS WHERE THE

SACRIFICIAL LAMBS WHERE BORN AND RAISED

MIC 4:1-8 [MIGDAL EDER]

BETHLEHEM WAS A SIGN TO ISRAEL THAT THE LONG AWAITED MESSIAH WOULD BE "THE LAMB OF GOD WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD"

THIS IS WHY HIS BIRTH IS SO RELEVANT FOR US TODAY NOT THAT
HE IS THE BABE IN THE MANGER NOR IS HE STILL ON THE CROSS
BUT HE LIVES AND HE WANTS YOU TO LIVE WITH HIM AND REIN
WITH HIM WHEN HE RETURNS....THE WHOLE STORY