

The Whole Story

Reading 1

Luke 1:26-37

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to the city of Nazareth, to a virgin whose name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, “**Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!**”

But when she saw the angel, she was troubled at his saying, and... the angel said to her, “**Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS...**”

...Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?”

And the angel answered and said to her, “**The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you and the Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God...**”

Reading 2

Matthew 1:18-25

Mary was betrothed to Joseph and before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying,

“**Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins...**”

...Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name JESUS.

Reading 3

Luke 2:1-7

It came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered... So everyone went to his own city. Joseph also went up

from the city of Nazareth, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem,... to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child.

So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn

Reading 4

Luke 2:8-14

Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. Then the angel said to them, **“Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. “**

And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

“Glory to God in the highest,

And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!”

Reading 5

Matthew 2:1-11

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem... wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, **“Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.”**

When they heard the news, they departed; and behold, the star went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was... And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:27

So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned

Genesis 3:15

And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.”

1 Peter 1:18-20

knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. **He indeed was foreordained before the foundation** of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you

Ephesians 1:3-4

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love,

Matthew 1:21

And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.”

Believe

Romans 10:9

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Receive

John 1:12

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

Follow

John 10:27

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

Serve

Luke 2:17-18

Now when they had seen Him, they made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child. And all those who heard it marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

Go, tell it on the mountain

Over the hills and everywhere

Go, tell it on the mountain

That Jesus Christ is born