



[Mat 1:21-23 NASB20] 21 "She will give birth to a Son; and you shall name Him Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." 22 Now all this took place so that what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet would be fulfilled: 23 **"BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN WILL CONCEIVE AND GIVE BIRTH TO A SON, AND THEY SHALL NAME HIM IMMANUEL," which translated means, "GOD WITH US."**

**How can He choose to be with Us?!!**

**Hab 1:13 [Your] eyes are too pure to look at evil, And You cannot look at harm [favorably.] Why do You look [favorably] At those who deal treacherously? [Why] are You silent when the wicked swallow up Those more righteous than they?**

# Still a Mystery



## Mystery 23x, all in NT

[Mar 4:11 NASB20] 11 And He was saying to them, "To you has been given **the mystery of the kingdom of God**, but for those who are outside, everything comes in parables,

Rom 11:25 For I do not want you, brothers [and sisters,] **to be uninformed of this mystery**--so that you will not be wise in your own estimation--that **a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in**;

[Rom 16:25 NASB20] 25 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and **the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret for long ages past**,

[1Co 2:7 NASB20] 7 but **we speak God's wisdom in a mystery, the hidden [wisdom] which God predestined before the ages to our glory**;

[Eph 1:9 NASB20] 9 **He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He set forth in Him**,

[Eph 3:3-4, 9 NASB20] 3 that **by revelation there was made known to me the mystery**, as I wrote before briefly. 4 By referring to this, **when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ**, ... 9 and to enlighten all people as

to what the plan of the mystery is which for ages has been hidden in God, who created all things;

[Eph 5:32 NASB20] 32 **This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.**

[Eph 6:19 NASB20] 19 and [pray] in my behalf, that speech may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to **make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel,**  
[Col 1:26-27 NASB20] 26 [that is,] the mystery which had been hidden from the [past] ages and generations, but now has been revealed to His saints, 27 to **whom God willed to make known what the wealth of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles is, [the mystery] that is Christ in you, the hope of glory.**

[Col 2:2 NASB20] 2 that their hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love, and [that they would attain] to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, [resulting] **in a true knowledge of God's mystery, [that is,] Christ [Himself,]**

[Col 4:3 NASB20] 3 praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may **proclaim the mystery of Christ,** for which I have also been imprisoned;

[1Ti 3:9, 16 NASB20] 9 [but] holding to **the mystery of the faith** with a clear conscience. ... 16 **Beyond question, great is the mystery of godliness:** He who was **revealed in the flesh,** Was vindicated in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Proclaimed among the nations, Believed on in the world, Taken up in glory.

[Rev 10:7 NASB20] 7 but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then **the mystery of God is finished,** as He announced to His servants the prophets.

[1Co 15:51 NASB20] 51 Behold, **I am telling you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed,**

[2Th 2:7 NASB20] 7 For **the mystery of lawlessness** is already at work; only He who now restrains [will do so] until He is removed.

[Rev 1:20 NASB20] 20 "[As for] **the mystery of the seven stars** which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

[Rev 17:5, 7 NASB20] 5 and on her forehead a name [was] written, **a mystery: "BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH."** ... 7 And the angel said to me, "Why do you wonder? I will tell you **the mystery of the woman and of the beast** that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns.

[Deu 29:29 NASB20] 29 **"The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our sons forever, so that we may follow all the**

**words of this Law.**

[Job 11:6-7 NASB20] 6 And show you the secrets of wisdom!For sound wisdom has two sides.Know then that God forgets part of your guilt. 7 "Can you discover the depths of God?Can you discover the limits of the Almighty?

[Dan 2:19, 22, 28 NASB20] 19 Then the secret was revealed to Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven; ... 22 "It is He who reveals the profound and hidden things;He knows what is in the darkness,And the light dwells with Him. ... 28 "However, there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will take place in the latter days. This was your dream and the visions in your mind [while] on your bed.

[Amo 3:7 NASB20] 7 Certainly the Lord GOD does nothingUnless He reveals His secret planTo His servants the prophets.

[Mat 13:35 NASB20] 35 [This was] so that what was spoken through the prophet would be fulfilled:"I WILL OPEN MY MOUTH IN PARABLES;I WILL PROCLAIM THINGS HIDDEN SINCE THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD."



Many would pervert the Mystery, the wondrous story, The Epic romance novel

Birth in Manger reveals looming crisis in Housing, transportation

Salvation disproportionately benefits the rich?

Suspected Religious cultists exposed in Bethlehem, Scrutiny tightens on 3 Magi's Lobbying Operation

Jesus has NO Medical insurance. Failed by Govt, poor father forced to deliver his own baby

Baby Jesus in State custody - Social workers declare Mary and Joseph unfit parents. Impoverished Transients with psychotic breaks from reality; wild dreams and encountering supernatural beings

Where's the baby's biological father?

Planned parenthoods success story; Herod Admin. Implements post birth abortions up to 2 years

Undocumented Shepherds; We herd sheep Jews wont

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**Did Herod really massacre the innocents or did Matthew LIE!**  
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**Deny the story – call it myth, question the reliable witness of a 1<sup>st</sup> century eyewitness Apostle?**  
**Pervert the story, Mary was Raped, OR Married or hallucinated...**  
**Invert the story, Herod was the good guy!**  
**Overwhelm/drown/redirect the story with Santa, Frosty, Rudolph....materialism....family...**  
**Steal the story and make it all about you!**

what's the gist of the Story?



## The Mystery of the Incarnation!

- 1 Timothy 3:16 - **Beyond question, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh,** was vindicated in the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory.
- Romans 16:25 - Now to Him who is able to establish you according to **my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret for long ages past**

**What a Strange way to SAVE the World! Did Jesus have to do it this way? YES! – Incarnation Yes!**

1Tim.3:16 is believed by many to have been an early church Hymn. Outlining the Work of Christ!

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**Kept Secret from Ages Past!**

Rom 16:25-26 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to **my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret for long ages past, 26 but now has been disclosed, and through the Scriptures of the prophets, in accordance with the commandment of the eternal God, has been made known to all the nations, [leading] to obedience of faith;**



1Co 2:7 but **we speak God's wisdom in a mystery, the hidden [wisdom] which God predestined before the ages to our glory;**

Eph 3:3-10 that **by revelation there was made known to me the mystery**, as I wrote before briefly. 4 By referring to this, when you read **you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, 5 which in other generations was not made known to mankind, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; 6 [to be specific,] that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel, 7 of which I was made a minister; **according to the gift of God's grace** which was given to me according to the working of His power. 8 To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles **the unfathomable riches of Christ,** 9 and **to enlighten all people as to what the plan of the mystery is which for ages has been hidden in God,** who created all things; 10 so that the multifaceted wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly [places.]**

Col 1:25-27 I was made a minister of this [church] according to the commission from God granted to me for your benefit, so that I might fully carry out [the preaching of] the word of God, 26 **[that is,] the mystery which had been hidden from the [past] ages and generations, but now has been revealed to His saints,** 27 to whom God willed to make known what the wealth of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles is, [the mystery] that is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

### **The Miracle of Swaddling! HE HAD to be Like us!**

[Luk 2:7, 12 ESV] 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. ... 12 And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.“

[Hos 11:4 ESV] 4 I led them with cords of kindness, with the bands of love, and I became to them as one who eases the yoke on their jaws, and I bent down to them and fed them.

Jn.11:44 Out came the man who had died, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Jesus \*said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

[Jhn 19:40 NIV] 40 Taking Jesus' body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with Jewish burial customs.

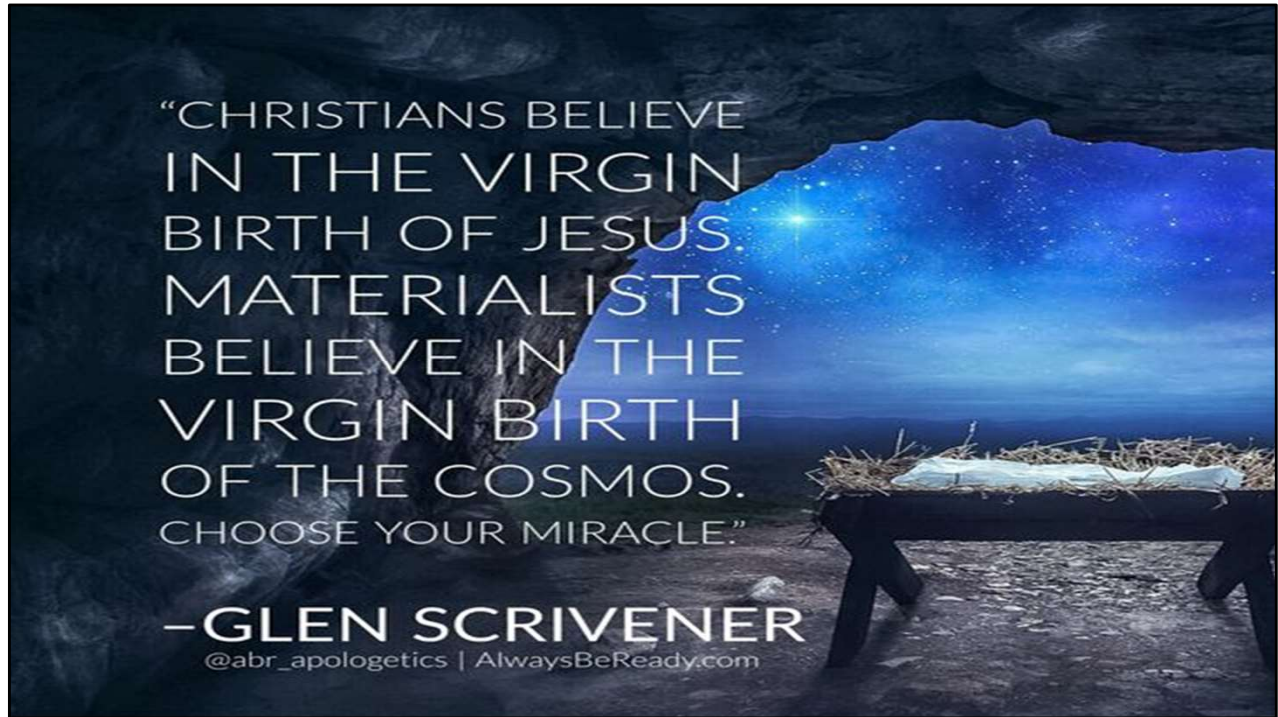
[Jhn 20:5-7 NIV] 5 He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, 7 as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen.

[Phl 2:5-11 NASB20] 5 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, as He [already] existed in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself [by] taking the form of a bond-servant [and] being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He

humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death: death on a cross. 9 For this reason also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and [that] every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Heb 2:6-18** But someone has testified somewhere, saying, "WHAT IS MAN, THAT YOU THINK OF HIM? OR A SON OF MAN, THAT YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HIM? 7 "YOU HAVE MADE HIM FOR A LITTLE WHILE LOWER THAN ANGELS; YOU HAVE CROWNED HIM WITH GLORY AND HONOR; 8 YOU HAVE PUT EVERYTHING IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET. "For in subjecting all things to him, He left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we do not yet see all things subjected to him. **9 But we do see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, [namely,] Jesus, because of His suffering death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.** 10 **For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the originator of their salvation through sufferings.** 11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one [Father;] for this reason **He is not ashamed to call them brothers [and sisters,]** 12 saying, "I WILL PROCLAIM YOUR NAME TO MY BROTHERS, IN THE MIDST OF THE ASSEMBLY I WILL SING YOUR PRAISE." 13 And again, "I WILL PUT MY TRUST IN HIM. "And again, "BEHOLD, I AND THE CHILDREN WHOM GOD HAS GIVEN ME." 14 **Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, so that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery** all their lives. 16 For clearly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendants of Abraham. **17 Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brothers so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.** 18 For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted.

**Eze 16:4 KJV** - 4 And *as for* thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water to supple *thee*; thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all.



**Christian's believe in the Virgin Birth of Jesus!**

**Materialists/evolutionists believe in the Virgin Birth of the Cosmos.**

**Choose your miracle! (I don't have enough faith to be an Atheist!)**

Glen Scrivener

**Christmas has numerous practical messages for us beside the emphasis of the gospel,**

- 1. including the wonders of Creation (Not evolution or big bang)**
- 2. and the Sanctity of Life! Jesus was in the womb from conception! Not at the point of birth!**

## Kept secret for long ages past

- Genesis 3:15 - And I will make enemies of you and the woman, and of your **offspring** and her Descendant; **He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise Him on the heel.** (Romans 16:20)
- Revelation 12 - A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman ... she was pregnant and she cried out, and behold, a great red dragon ... WAR ... and she gave birth to a Son, a male, who is going to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and her Child was caught up to God and to His throne

**What an unexpected Cliffhanger! Thank God He came to save us from the Fall! Rev.12 is a Flashback and overview! Like in movies! Remember the 6<sup>th</sup> Sense!**

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[Luk 1:31-35 NASB20] 31 "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and give birth to a son, and you shall name Him Jesus. 32 "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; 33 and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end." 34 But Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?" 35 The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come

upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; for that reason also the holy Child will be called the Son of God.

**Rom 16:20 The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.**

[Col 2:15 NASB20] 15 When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display [of them,] having triumphed over them through Him.

[Heb 2:14-15 NASB20] 14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, so that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

[1Jo 3:8 NASB20] 8 the one who practices sin is of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.

[1Jo 5:5 NASB20] 5 Who is the one who overcomes the world, but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

[Rev 12:1-18 NASB20] 1 **A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed** with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars; 2 and **she was pregnant and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth.** 3 Then **another sign appeared in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon** having seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads [were] seven crowns. 4 And his tail swept away a third of the stars of heaven and hurled them to the earth. And **the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she gave birth he might devour her Child.** 5 And **she gave birth to a Son, a male, who is going to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and her Child was caught up to God and to His throne.** 6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness where she had a place prepared by God, so that there she would be nourished for 1,260 days. 7 And **there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels waging war with the dragon. The dragon and his angels waged war,** 8 and they did not prevail, and there was no longer a place found for them in heaven. 9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers [and sisters] has been thrown down, the one who accuses them before our God day and night. 11 "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life [even] when faced with death. 12 "For this reason, rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you with great wrath, knowing that he has [only] a short time." 13 And when **the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male [Child.]** 14 But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time, times, and half a time,

away from the presence of the serpent. 15 And the serpent hurled water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood. 16 But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river which the dragon had hurled out of his mouth. 17 **So the dragon was enraged with the woman, and went off to make war with the rest of her children, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.** 18

[Num 21:6-7 NASB20] 6 Then **the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people** and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. 7 So the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, because we have spoken against the LORD and against you; intercede with the LORD, that He will remove the serpents from us." And Moses interceded for the people.

[Luk 10:19 NASB20] 19 "Behold, I have given you authority to walk on snakes and scorpions, and [authority] over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you.

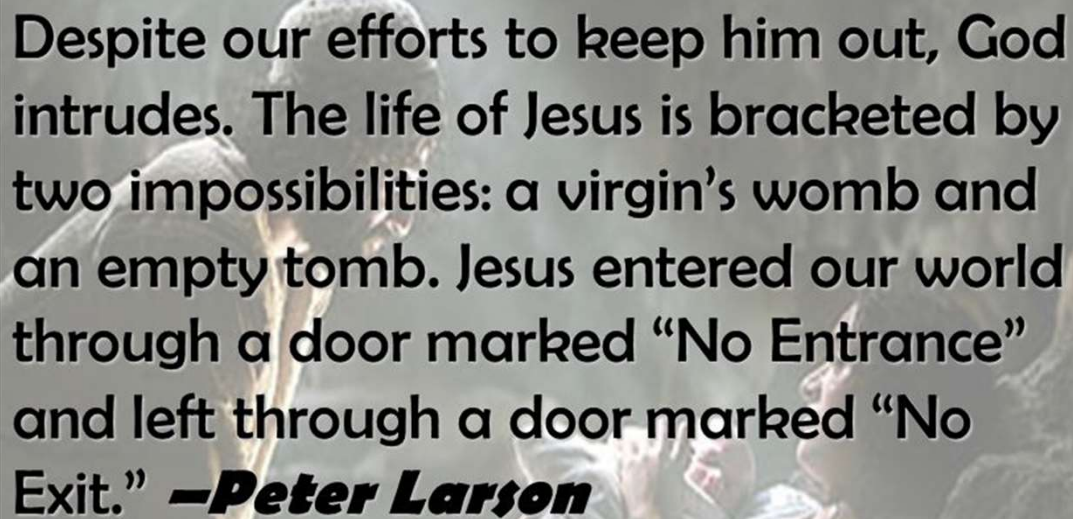
[Isa 63:3 "I have trodden the wine trough alone, And from the peoples there was no one with Me. I also trod them in My anger And trampled them in My wrath; And their lifeblood is sprinkled on My garments, And I stained all My clothes.

[Zec 10:5 NASB20] 5 "And they will be like warriors, Trampling down [the enemy] in the mud of the streets in battle; And they will fight, because the LORD [will be] with them; And the riders on horses will be put to shame.

[Mal 4:3 NASB20] 3 "And you will crush the wicked underfoot, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day that I am preparing," says the LORD of armies.

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[Jhn 1:1-13 NASB20] 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him not even one thing came into being that has come into being. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the Light of mankind. 5 And the Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not grasp it. 6 A man came, [one] sent from God, [and] his name was John. 7 He came as a witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the Light, but [he came] to testify about the Light. 9 [This] was the true Light that, coming into the world, enlightens every person. 10 He was in the world, and the world came into being through Him, and [yet] the world did not know Him. 11 He came to His own, and His own people did not accept Him. 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, 13 who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of a man, but of God.



[Act 13:46 NASB20] 46 Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first. Since you repudiate it and consider yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles.

[Gal 4:4 NASB20] 4 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law,

[Jhn 3:32 NASB20] 32 "What He has seen and heard, of this He testifies; and no one accepts His testimony.

[Isa 53:3 NASB20] 3 He was despised and abandoned by men, A man of great pain and familiar with sickness; And like one from whom [people] hide their faces, He was despised, and we had no regard for Him.

[Luk 19:14 NASB20] 14 "But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.'

[Luk 20:13-15 NASB20] 13 "Now the owner of the vineyard said, 'What am I to do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' 14 "But when the vine-growers saw him, they discussed with one another, saying, 'This is the heir; let's kill him so that the inheritance will be ours.' 15 "And [so] they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

What, then, will the owner of the vineyard do to them?

[Act 7:51-52 NASB20] 51 "You men who are stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears are always resisting the Holy Spirit; you are doing just as your fathers did. 52

"Which one of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? They killed those who had previously announced the coming of the Righteous One, and you have now become betrayers and murderers of Him;

## A woman's 'seed'?

- Genesis 3:15 - Eve's grand son (Not Adam's?)
- Genesis 4 - Cain kills Abel (son of Eve!) Seth is now godly line
- Genesis 5 - Seth: Enoch, Methuselah, Noah
- Genesis 6 - The sons of God saw the daughters of man

### **Infertile Sara!**

#### **Against ALL Odds! A WAR Rages and an unlikely Hero Emerges!**

[Gen 4:25-26 NASB20] 25 Adam had relations with his wife again; and she gave birth to a son, and named him Seth, for, [she said,] "God has appointed me another child in place of Abel, because Cain killed him." 26 To Seth also a son was born; and he named him Enosh. Then [people] began to call upon the name of the LORD.

[Gen 5:3-4, 18, 21-22, 24, 28-29, 32 NASB20] 3 When Adam had lived 130 years, he fathered [a son] in his own likeness, according to his image, and named him Seth. 4 Then the days of Adam after he fathered Seth were eight hundred years, and he fathered [other] sons and daughters. ... 18 Now Jared lived 162 years, and fathered Enoch. ... 21 Now Enoch lived sixty-five years, and fathered Methuselah. 22 Then Enoch walked with God three hundred years after he fathered Methuselah, and he fathered [other] sons and daughters. ... 24 Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him. ... 28 Now Lamech lived 182 years, and fathered a son. 29 And he named him Noah, saying, "This one will give us comfort from our work and from the hard labor of our hands [caused] by the ground which the LORD has cursed." ... 32 Now after Noah was five hundred years old, Noah fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Enoch – Rapture

Methuselah – The dead in Christ, suffer physical death, other 2 don't at this time

Noah – Tribulation Saints

[Gen 6:1-3, 5-7 NASB20] 1 Now it came about, when mankind began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, 2 that the sons of God saw that the daughters of mankind were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose. 3 Then the LORD said, "My Spirit will not remain with man forever, because he is also flesh; nevertheless his days shall be 120 years." ... 5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of mankind was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. 6 So the LORD was sorry that He had made mankind on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. 7 Then the LORD said, "I will wipe out mankind whom I have created from the face of the land; mankind, and animals as well, and crawling things, and the birds of the sky. For I am sorry that I have made them."

Heb 11:8-19 **By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he left, not knowing where he was going.** 9 **By faith he lived as a stranger in the land of promise, as [in] a foreign [land,] living in tents** with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise; 10 **for he was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.** 11 **By faith even Sarah herself received ability to conceive**, even beyond [the] proper time of life, since she considered Him faithful who had promised. 12 Therefore even from one man, and one who was [as good as] dead at that, there were born [descendants who were] just as the stars of heaven in number, and as the innumerable [grains of] sand along the seashore. 13 All these died in faith, without receiving the promises, but having seen and welcomed them from a distance, and having confessed that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. 14 For those who say such things make it clear that they are seeking a country of their own. 15 And indeed if they had been thinking of that [country] which they left, they would have had opportunity to return. 16 But as it is, they desire a better [country,] that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; for He has prepared a city for them. 17 By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and the one who had received the promises was offering up his only [son;] 18 [it was he] to whom it was said, "THROUGH ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS SHALL BE NAMED." 19 He considered that God is able to raise [people] even from the dead, from which he also received him back as a type.

[Gen 11:10, 30-31 These are [the records of] the generations of Shem. Shem was a hundred years old when he fathered Arpachshad, two years after the flood; ... 30 Sarai was unable to conceive; she did not have a child. 31 Now Terah took his son Abram, and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, his son Abram's wife, and they departed together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to the land of Canaan; and they went as far as Haran and settled there.

[Isa 51:2 NASB20] 2 "Look to Abraham your father And to Sarah who gave birth to you in

pain;When [he] [was only] one I called him,Then I blessed him and multiplied him."  
[Jos 24:3 NASB20] 3 "Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the [Euphrates] River and led him through all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his descendants and gave him Isaac.

[Gen 12:1-3 NASB20] 1 Now the LORD said to Abram,"Go from your country,And from your relativesAnd from your father's house,To the land which I will show you; 2 And I will make you into a great nation,And I will bless you,And make your name great;And [you shall] be a blessing; 3 And I will bless those who bless you,And the one who curses you I will curse.And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

[Neh 9:7-8 NASB20] 7 "You are the LORD God,Who chose AbramAnd brought him out from Ur of the Chaldees,And gave him the name Abraham. 8 "You found his heart faithful before You,And made a covenant with himTo give [him] the land of the Canaanite,Of the Hittite and the Amorite,Of the Perizzite, the Jebusite, and the Girgashite--To give [it] to his descendants.And You have fulfilled Your promise,Because You are righteous.

[Eze 33:24 NASB20] 24 "Son of man, they who live in these ruins in the land of Israel are saying, 'Abraham was [only] one, yet he possessed the land; so to us who are many the land has been given as a possession.'

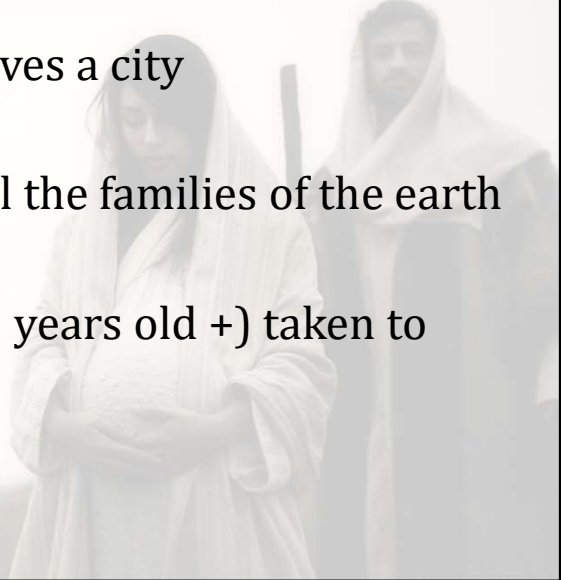
[Gal 3:9-14 NASB20] 9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed with Abraham, the believer. 10 For all who are of works of the Law are under a curse; for it is written: "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO DOES NOT ABIDE BY ALL THE THINGS WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW, TO DO THEM." 11 Now, that no one is justified by the Law before God is evident; for, "THE RIGHTEOUS ONE WILL LIVE BY FAITH." 12 However, the Law is not of faith; on the contrary, "THE PERSON WHO PERFORMS THEM WILL LIVE BY THEM." 13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us-- for it is written: "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE"-- 14 in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham would come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

[Heb 11:8-9 NASB20] 8 By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he left, not knowing where he was going. 9 By faith he lived as a stranger in the land of promise, as [in] a foreign [land,] living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise;

[Gen 12:9-11, 17 NASB20] 9 Then Abram journeyed on, continuing toward the Negev. 10 **Now there was a famine in the land; so Abram went down to Egypt to live there for a time, because the famine was severe in the land. 11 It came about, when he was approaching Egypt, that he said to his wife Sarai, "See now, I know that you are a beautiful woman; ...** 17 But the LORD struck Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife.

## A woman's 'seed'?

- Genesis 11 – Let's build ourselves a city  
– Hebrews 11 Son of Shem
- **Genesis 12** - Abram; **in you** all the families of the earth will be blessed
- Genesis 12:9 - Barren Sara (65 years old +) taken to Pharaoh



A thousand times in history  
a baby has become a king,  
but only once in history  
did a King become a baby.



**A thousand times in History a baby has become a King, But only once in History did a king become a Baby!  
Or would one ever be willing to be!**

**A King-sized Bed!**

**How many Kings?!**

[Follow the star to a place unexpected](#)

[Would you believe after all we've projected](#)

[A child in a manger?](#)

Lowly and small, the weakest of all

Unlikeliest hero, wrapped in his mother's shawl

Just a child

Is this who we've waited for?

[Hook]

[Cause how many kings stepped down from their thrones?](#)

[How many lords have abandoned their homes?](#)

[How many greats have become the least for me?](#)

[And how many gods have poured out their hearts](#)

[To romance a world that is torn all apart?](#)

How many Fathers gave up their Sons for me?

[Verse 2]

Bringing our gifts for the newborn Savior

All that we have, whether costly or meek

Because we believe

[Gold for His honor and frankincense for His pleasure](#)

[And myrrh for the cross He'll suffer](#)

Do you believe?

Is this who we've waited for?

[Nobody Gets Me](#)

[SZA](#)

[Silent Night](#)

[Christmas Songs](#)

[Hallelujah](#)

[Leonard Cohen](#)

[Hook]

[Bridge]

Only one did that for me

All for me, all for you

All for me, all for you

[Hook]

[Outro]

All for me, all for you



## Preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham

- Genesis 15 - "one who will come **from your own body** shall be your heir." Not Eliezer
- Genesis 16 - Sarah says it's been 10 years, take Hagar / Ishmael
- Genesis 17 - Abraham is 99 (ED) and barren **Sarah** is in Menopause

**The Cosmic Conspiracy, The Epic Conflict! The Only Hope!  
The Gospel is not only in the NT, Its been there All along!**

Gen.13-14 Lots compromise, Melchizedek

**Gal 3:8 The Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, [saying.] "ALL THE NATIONS WILL BE BLESSED IN YOU."**

**Gal 3:16 Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. He does not say, "And to seeds," as [one would in referring] to many, but [rather] as [in referring] to one, "And to your seed," that is, Christ.**

[Gen 15:1-6 NASB20] 1 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not fear, Abram, I am a shield to you; Your reward shall be very great." 2 **But Abram said, "Lord GOD, what will You give me, since I am childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"** 3 Abram also said, "Since You have given me no son, one who has been born in my house is my heir." 4 Then behold, the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "This man will not be your heir; but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir." 5 And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be." 6

**Then he believed in the LORD; and He credited it to him as righteousness.**

[Gen 16:1-4 NASB20] 1 Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had not borne him a child, but she had an Egyptian slave woman whose name was Hagar. 2 **So Sarai said to Abram, "See now, the LORD has prevented me from bearing [children.] Please have relations with my slave woman; perhaps I will obtain children through her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai.** 3 And [so] after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Abram's wife Sarai took Hagar the Egyptian, her slave woman, and gave her to her husband Abram as his wife. 4 Then he had relations with Hagar, and she conceived; and when [Hagar] became aware that she had conceived, her mistress was insignificant in her sight.

[Gen 17:1-22, 24-25 NASB20] 1 **Now when Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram** and said to him, "I am God Almighty; Walk before Me, and be blameless. 2 "I will make My covenant between Me and you, And I will multiply you exceedingly." 3 Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying, 4 **"As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, And you will be the father of a multitude of nations. 5 "No longer shall you be named Abram, But your name shall be Abraham; For I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. 6 "I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you.** 7 "I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations as an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you. 8 "And I will give to you and to your descendants after you the land where you live as a stranger, all the land of Canaan, as an everlasting possession; and I will be their God." 9 God said further to Abraham, "Now as for you, you shall keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations. 10 **"This is My covenant, which you shall keep, between Me and you and your descendants after you: every male among you shall be circumcised. 11 "And you shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin,** and it shall be the sign of the covenant between Me and you. 12 "And every male among you who is eight days old shall be circumcised throughout your generations, [including] a slave who is born in the house or who is bought with money from any foreigner, who is not of your descendants. 13 "A slave who is born in your house or who is bought with your money shall certainly be circumcised; so My covenant shall be in your flesh as an everlasting covenant. 14 "But [as for] an uncircumcised male, one who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin, that person shall be cut off from his people; he has broken My covenant." 15 **Then God said to Abraham, "As for your wife Sarai, you shall not call her [by] the name Sarai, but Sarah [shall be] her name. 16 "I will bless her, and indeed I will give you a son by her.** Then I will bless her, and she shall be [a mother of] nations; kings of peoples will come from her." 17 Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed, and said in his heart, "Will a child be born to a man a hundred years old? And will Sarah, who is ninety years old, give birth [to a child?]" 18 And Abraham said to God, "Oh that Ishmael might live before You!" 19 But God said, "No, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you shall name him Isaac; and I will establish My covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for

his descendants after him. 20 "As for Ishmael, I have heard you; behold, I will bless him, and make him fruitful and multiply him exceedingly. He shall father twelve princes, and I will make him into a great nation. 21 "But I will establish My covenant with Isaac, whom Sarah will bear to you at this season next year." 22 When He finished talking with him, God went up from Abraham. ... 24 Now **Abraham was ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 25 And his son Ishmael was thirteen years old** when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

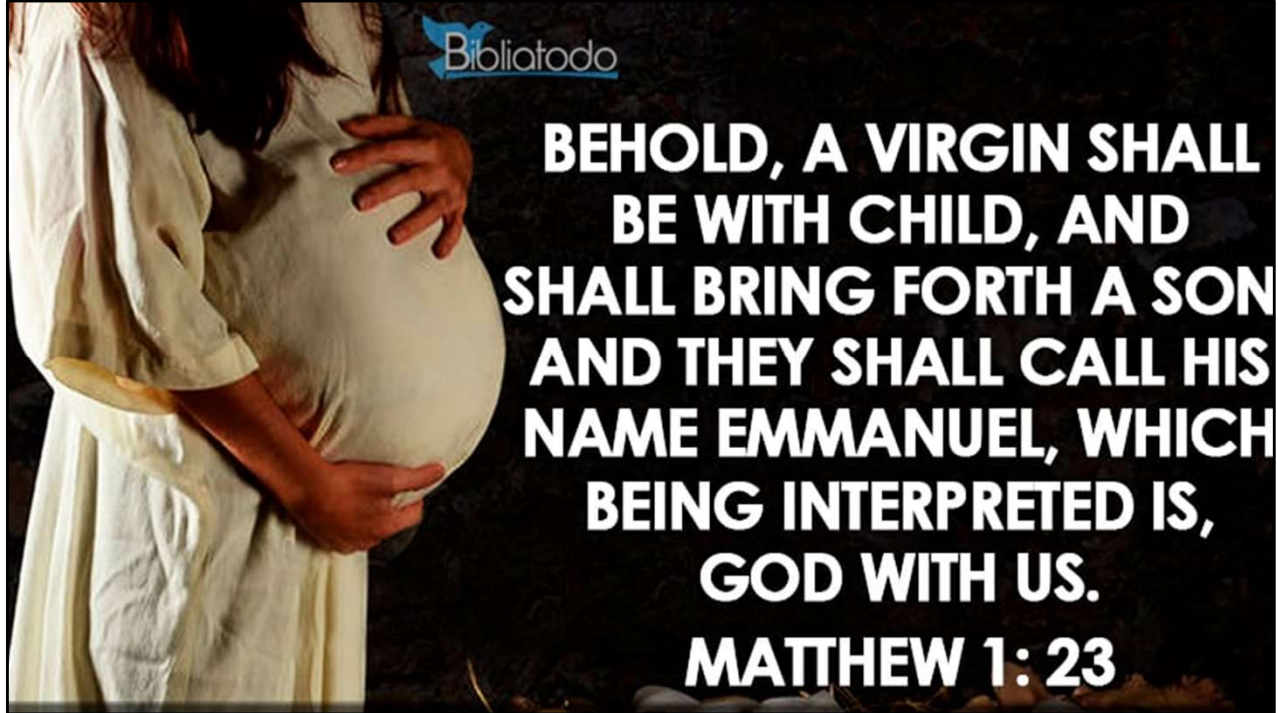
[Gen 18:10-15 NASB20] 10 He said, "**I will certainly return to you at this time next year; and behold, your wife Sarah will have a son.**" And Sarah was listening at the tent door, which was behind him. 11 **Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; Sarah was past childbearing.** 12 So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have become old, am I to have pleasure, my lord being old also?" 13 But the LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, saying, 'Shall I actually give birth [to a child,] when I am [so] old?' 14 "**Is anything too difficult for the LORD?** At the appointed time **I will return to you, at this time next year, and Sarah will have a son.**" 15 Sarah denied [it,] however, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. And He said, "No, but you did laugh."

Gen 20:1-7, 10-11, 18 Now Abraham journeyed from there toward the land of the Negev, and settled between Kadesh and Shur; then he lived for a time in Gerar. 2 And Abraham said of his wife Sarah, "She is my sister." **So Abimelech king of Gerar sent [men] and took Sarah. 3 But God came to Abimelech** in a dream of the night, and said to him, "Behold, you are a dead man because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is married." 4 Now Abimelech had not come near her; and he said, "Lord, will You kill a nation, even [though] blameless? 5 "Did he himself not say to me, 'She is my sister'? And she herself said, 'He is my brother!' In the integrity of my heart and the innocence of my hands I have done this." 6 Then God said to him in the dream, "Yes, I know that in the integrity of your heart you have done this, and I also kept you from sinning against Me; therefore I did not let you touch her. 7 "Now then, return the man's wife, for he is a prophet, and he will pray for you and you will live. But if you do not return [her,] know that you will certainly die, you and all who are yours." ... 10 And Abimelech said to Abraham, "What have you encountered, that you have done this thing?" 11 Abraham said, "Because I thought, surely there is no fear of God in this place, and they will kill me because of my wife. ... 18 **For the LORD had completely closed all the wombs of the household of Abimelech because of Sarah, Abraham's wife.**

[Isa 14:27 NIV] 27 For the LORD Almighty has purposed, and who can thwart him? His hand is stretched out, and who can turn it back?

## **Preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham**

- Genesis 18 - So Sarah laughed to herself! Ludicrous!
- Genesis 20 - King Abimelech takes Sarah! Here we go again!
- Isaac/Rebekah, Jacob/Rachel; barren to Miracle births!
- Romans 4 - Miracle births (John 3), promises, “gift”



**Isa 7:14 "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and she will name Him Immanuel.**

**God WITH us!  
For us!  
Through Us!**

**Eves birth of Abel was a risk because of Murder!  
Saras barrenness was so resolved/impossible, Abram offered Eliezer,  
Hagar/Ishmael, Isaac was sacrificed?! She laughed in mockery!  
- It was a Double/triple miracle! Sarah had been barren for 90 yrs, Now in  
Menopause AND Abraham had ED!  
Marys miracle was Above and Beyond!  
She was a Virgin! All the other miracle births involved the Natural  
relations of a man with a woman, even IF she had been infertile. A miracle  
of Correction, repairing a nonfunctioning womb.  
A Virgin Birth overruled the natural with the Supernatural! The Holy  
Spiirt!**

## Rom.5

**Rom 5:12-21 NIV Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned--** 13 To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. 14 Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come. 15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! 16 Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. 17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ! 18 Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. 19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous. 20 The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, 21 so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## 8 Things - Miraculous Births

1. Sarah, Abraham's wife gave birth to Isaac (Gen 11:30)<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>
2. Rebekah, Isaac's wife gave birth to Jacob and Esau (Gen 25:21)<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>
3. Rachel, Jacob's wife gave birth to Joseph (Gen 29:31)<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub> Interestingly Jesus line came thru Leah!
4. Samson's mother gave birth to Samson (Judg. 13:2)<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>
5. The woman in Elisha's time (2 Kings 4:14-17) miraculously gave birth. The child died and was miraculously resurrected.
6. Hannah gave birth to Samuel when she was barren (1 Sam 1:5)<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>
7. Elizabeth gave birth to John the Baptist (Luke 1:7)<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>
8. Mary gave birth to Jesus as a virgin (Matt. 1:18-25)

## **A riddle, wrapped in a mystery, inside an enigma**

- **20 Prophecies** of the Messiah's birth! 300+ of Jesus!
- At least **3 Miraculous births!** At least 4 unlikely women!
- So many Conundrums! He **escaped murder** many times!
- 1 Kings 8:27 - "But will God indeed dwell on the earth?  
**Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain You,** how much less this house which I have built!"

"It is a **riddle**, wrapped in a **mystery**, inside an **enigma**;"

**The Odds of 19-20 Prophecies fulfilled? One of them an unheard of miracle!  
Surviving the hunting and persecution of Satan himself through the ages**

[Isa 66:1 NASB20] 1 **This is what the LORD says: "Heaven is My throne and the earth is the footstool for My feet. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest?"**

[**Jhn 1:14** NASB20] 14 And the Word became flesh, **and dwelt among us**; and we saw His glory, glory as of the only [Son] from the Father, full of grace and truth.

[**Act 7:48-49** NASB20] 48 "However, the Most High does not dwell in [houses] made by [human] hands; as the prophet says: 49 'HEAVEN IS MY THRONE, AND THE EARTH IS THE FOOTSTOOL OF MY FEET; WHAT KIND OF HOUSE WILL YOU BUILD FOR ME?' says the Lord, 'OR WHAT PLACE IS THERE FOR MY REST?"

[Act 17:24 NASB20] 24 "The God who made the world and everything that is in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made by hands;



[**2Co 6:16** NASB20] 16 Or what agreement does the temple of God have with idols? **For we are the temple of the living God;** just as God said, "I WILL DWELL AMONG THEM AND WALK AMONG THEM;AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE.

[Luk 2:40, 52 NASB20] 40 Now the Child continued to grow and to become strong, increasing in wisdom; and the favor of God was upon Him. ... 52 And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and people.

[Isa 53:2 NASB20] 2 For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, And like a root out of dry ground; He has no [stately] form or majesty That we would look at Him, Nor an appearance that we would take pleasure in Him.

[Luk 1:80 NASB20] 80 Now the child grew and was becoming strong in spirit, and he lived in the deserts until the day of his public appearance to Israel.

[Luk 2:47 NASB20] 47 And all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers.

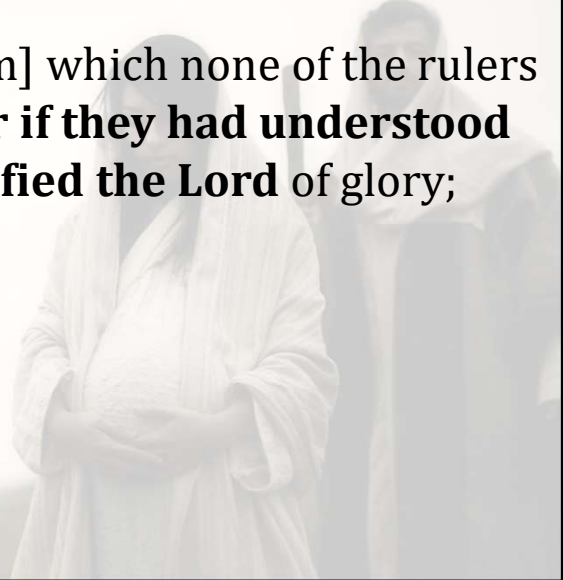
**Mat 2:16-18** Then when Herod saw that he had been tricked by the magi, he became very enraged, and sent [men] and killed all the boys who were in Bethlehem and all its vicinity who were two years old or under, according to the time which he had determined from the magi. 17 Then what had been spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: 18 "A VOICE WAS HEARD IN RAMAH, WEEPING AND GREAT MOURNING, RACHEL WEEPING FOR HER CHILDREN; AND SHE REFUSED TO BE COMFORTED, BECAUSE THEY WERE NO MORE."

**1Co 2:8-9** [the wisdom] which none of the rulers of this age has understood; for if they had understood it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory; 9 but just as it is written: "THINGS WHICH EYE HAS NOT SEEN AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD, AND WHICH HAVE NOT ENTERED THE HUMAN HEART, ALL THAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM."

**Isa 64:1, 3-6** Oh, that You would tear open the heavens [and] come down, That the mountains would quake at Your presence-- ... 3 When You did awesome things which we did not expect, You came down, the mountains quaked at Your presence. 4 For from days of old they have not heard or perceived by ear, Nor has the eye seen a God besides You, Who acts in behalf of one who waits for Him. 5 You meet him who rejoices in doing righteousness, Who remembers You in Your ways. Behold, You were angry, for we sinned, [We continued] in our sins for a long time; Yet shall we be saved? 6 For all of us have become like one who is unclean, And all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment; And all of us wither like a leaf, And our wrongdoings, like the wind, take us away.

## **A riddle, wrapped in a mystery, inside an enigma**

- I Corinthians 2:8 - [the wisdom] which none of the rulers of this age has understood; **for if they had understood it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory;**



# when christ came

- 12 PROPHECIES FULFILLED ON CHRISTMAS DAY -

PROPHECY	FULFILLMENT
The Messiah will be born of a woman (Gen. 3:15)	Matt. 1:18-23
He will be a descendant of Abraham (Gen. 22:15-18)	Matt. 1:1-17;
He will be a descendant of Isaac (Gen. 26:1-5)	Luke 3:23-38
He will be a descendant of Jacob (Gen. 28:13-14)	
He will be a descendant of Judah (Gen. 49:10)	
He will be a descendant of Jesse (Isa. 11:1-10)	
He will be a descendant of David (Jer. 23:5-6)	
He will be born in Bethlehem (Mic. 5:2)	Matt. 2:1-5
He will be born of a virgin (Isa. 7:14)	Matt. 1:20-25
His name will be Immanuel (Isa. 7:14)	
He will be born as a baby (Isa. 9:6)	
He will come from the line of David (Isa. 9:7)	Matt. 1:1-6

STAND FOR TRUTH PH

ODDS OF WINNING THE LOTTERY

**1 IN 259,000,00**

ODDS OF A MAN FULFILLING 8 PROPHECIES

**1 IN**

**100,000,000,000,000,000**

(THAT'S A LOT OF ZEROES)

**JESUS DID\***

**\*ACTUALLY HE FULFILLED OVER 300**

1. From Galilee Isa.9, Mt.4:15
2. Known as a Nazarene Mt.2:23, Jn.1:45-46
3. From Solomon 2Sam.7:12-17, 1Chron.28:5, 1Ki.8:19
4. Signaled by a Star Nu.24:17, Isa.60:3, Mt.2:10, Lk.1:78-79, Isa 9, Rev.22:16
5. Sought after by wise men with gifts Ps.72:10, 15, Isa.60:6, Jer.6:20, Mt.2:11
6. Called Immanuel Isa.7:14, Mt.1:23
7. Sent to Egypt Hos.11:1, Mt.2:15
8. Babies of Bethlehem killed Deut.18:15, Jer.31:15

[Jer 31:15 NASB20] 15 This is what the LORD says: "A voice is heard in Ramah, Lamenting [and] bitter weeping. Rachel is weeping for her children; She refuses to be comforted for her children, Because they are no more."

[Mat 2:18 NASB20] 18 "A VOICE WAS HEARD IN RAMAH, WEEPING AND GREAT MOURNING, RACHEL WEEPING FOR HER CHILDREN; AND SHE REFUSED TO BE COMFORTED, BECAUSE THEY WERE NO MORE."

## **The Mystery revealed, yet unspeakable**

- How is God 1, yet 3 persons?
- The Hypostatic Union?! Philippians 2  
- 100% God, 100% Man!
- How can the Omnipresent God of the Universe, inhabit humanity in the form of a baby? In the womb!

[[2Co 9:15 KJV] 15 Thanks [be] unto God for his unspeakable gift.

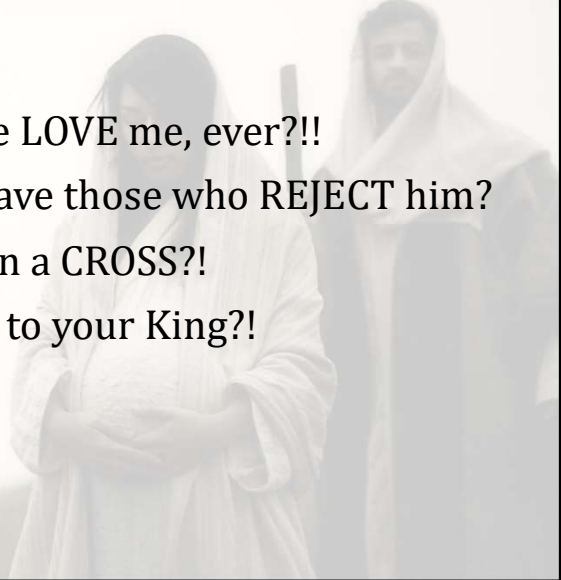
[2Co 9:15 NASB20] 15 Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

[1Pe 1:8 KJV] 8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see [him] not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

Rom 11:27, 33-36 "THIS IS MY COVENANT WITH THEM, WHEN I TAKE AWAY THEIR SINS." ... 33 Oh, the depth of the riches, both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways! 34 For WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD, OR WHO BECAME HIS COUNSELOR? 35 Or WHO HAS FIRST GIVEN TO HIM, THAT IT WOULD BE PAID BACK TO HIM? 36 For from Him, and through Him, and to Him are all things. To Him [be] the glory forever. Amen.

## **The Mystery revealed, yet unspeakable**

- Why?!!!!
    - Why would the Sinless Holy one LOVE me, ever?!!
    - Why would HE come down to save those who REJECT him?
    - Why would HE take our place on a CROSS?!
    - Why would you NOT surrender to your King?!
- Accept the gift!





## JESUS CHRIST:

**"INFINITE, and an INFANT.  
ETERNAL, and yet BORN of a woman.  
ALMIGHTY, and yet  
HANGING on a woman's breast.  
SUPPORTING a UNIVERSE, and yet  
needing to be CARRIED in a mother's ARMS.  
KING of angels, and yet  
the REPUTED SON of Joseph.  
HEIR of ALL things, and yet  
the CARPENTER'S despised SON."**

*-Charles Haddon Spurgeon*



Jesus Christ:

**"Infinite, and an infant.**

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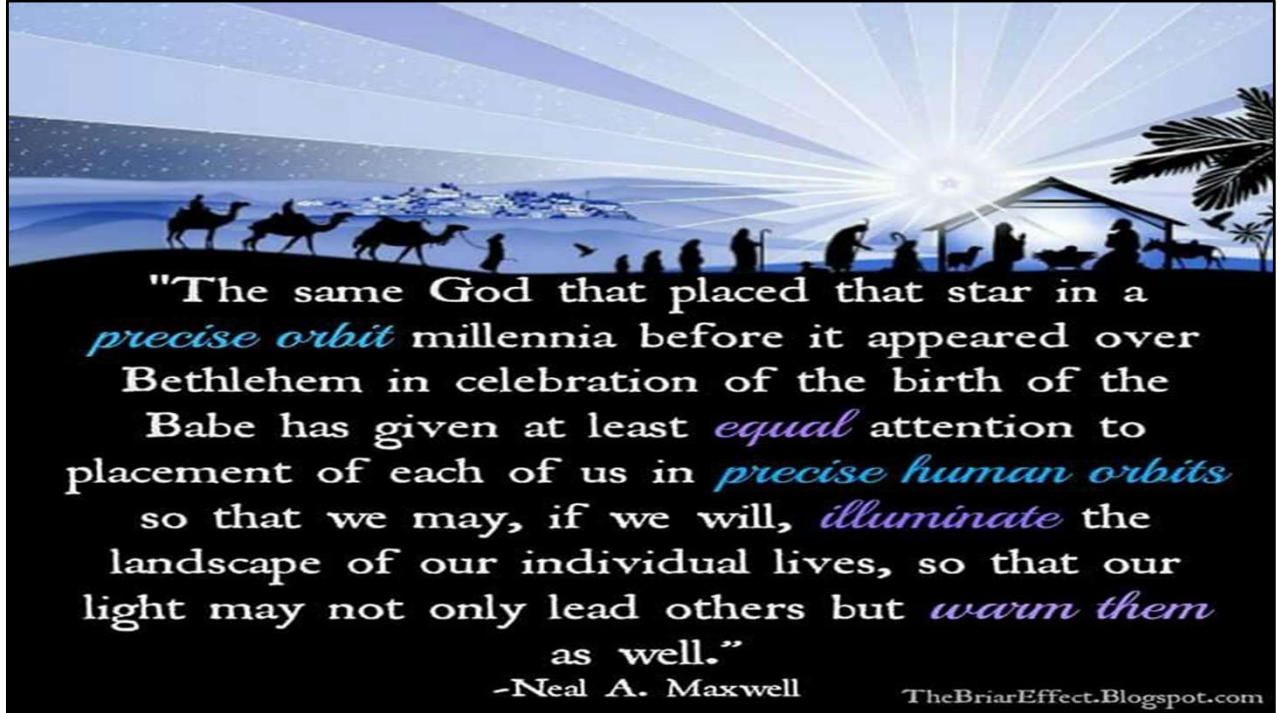
**King** of angels, and yet

The **reputed SON** of Joseph.

**Heir** of **all** things, and yet

The **Carpenter's** despised **son."**

Charles Haddon Surgeon



"The same God that [placed that star in a **Precise orbit** millennia before it appeared over **Bethlehem** in celebration of the birth of the Babe has given at least **equal** attention to placement of each of us in **precise human orbits** So that we may, if we will, **illuminate** THE LANDSCAPE OF OUR individual lives, so that our light May not only lead others but **warm them** as well."  
Neal A. Maxwell



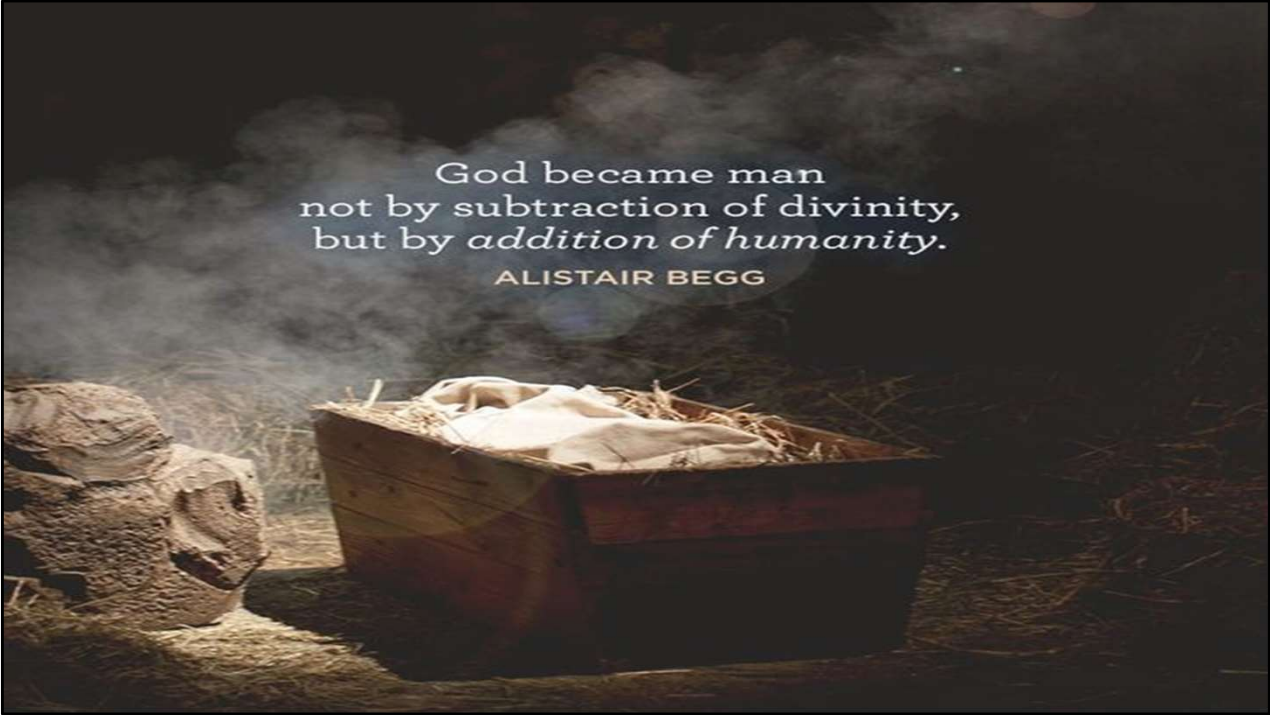
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**-AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO**  
*Sermon on Christmas*



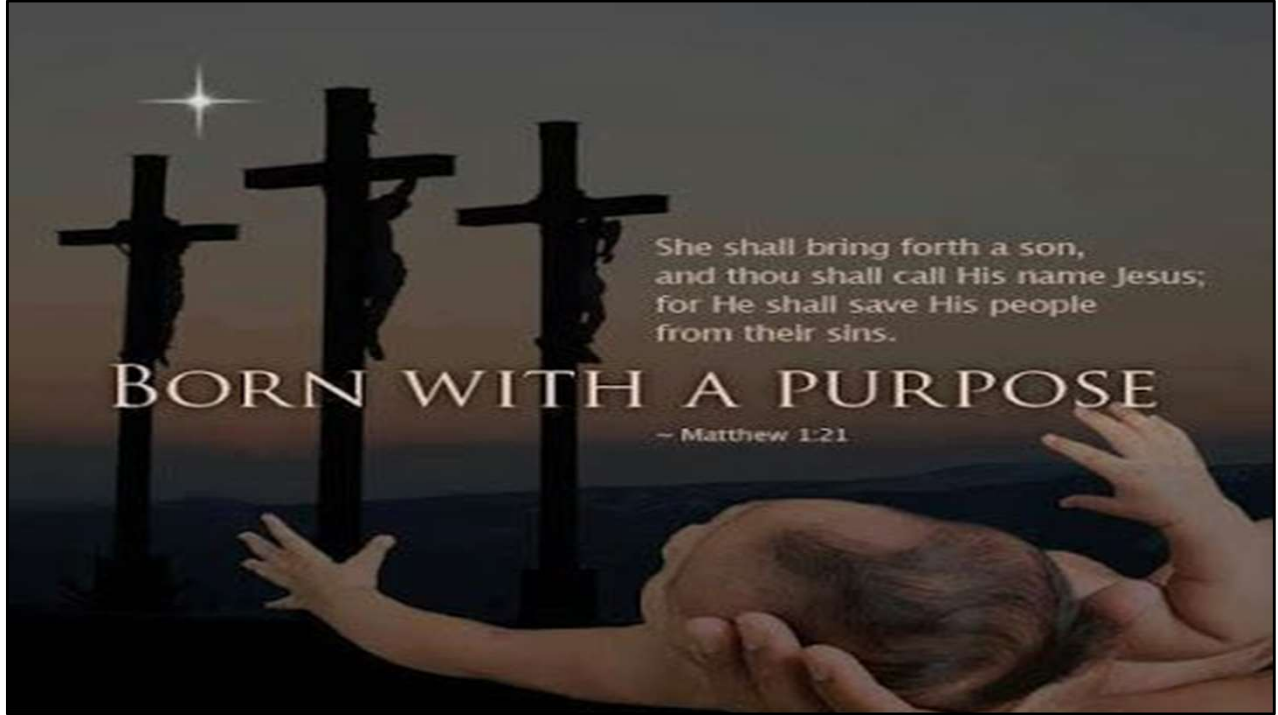
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**Augustine of Hippo**



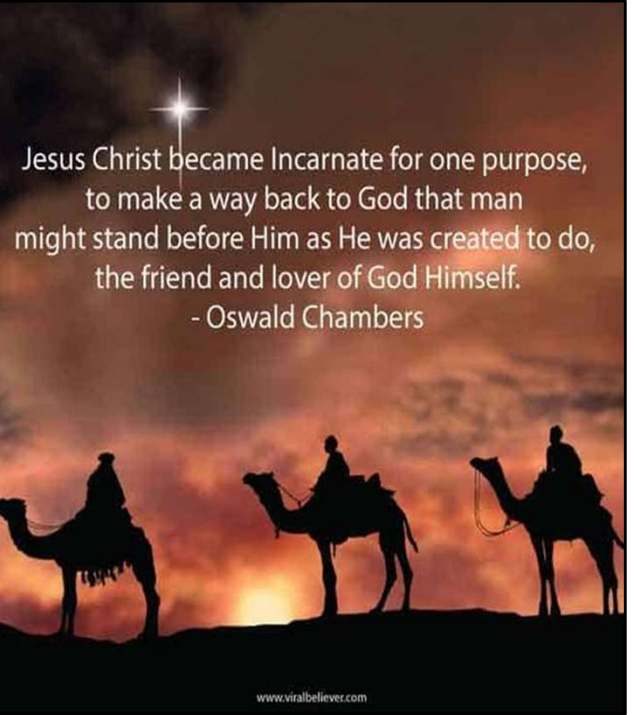
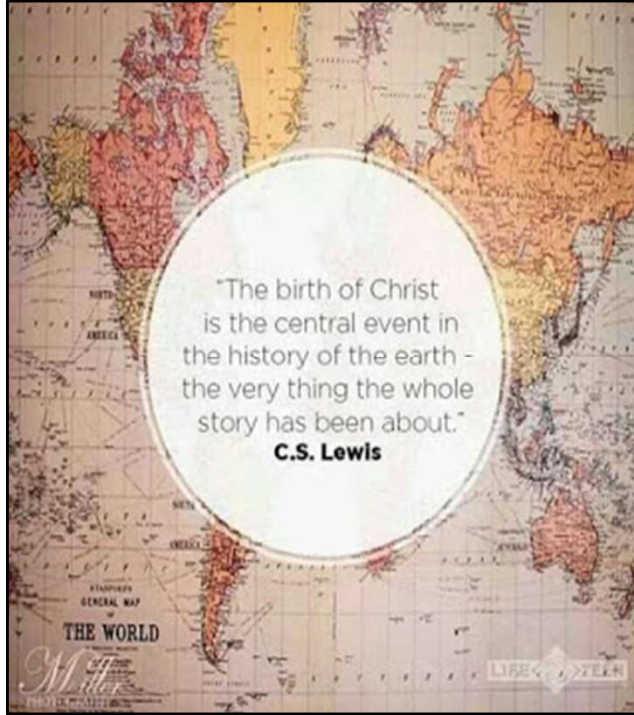
God became man  
not by subtraction of divinity,  
but by *addition of humanity.*

ALISTAIR BEGG



## Born with a Purpose

[Mat 1:21 NASB20] 21 "**She will give birth to a Son; and you shall name Him Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.**"







The shadow of the cross  
looms over the manger.

When you understand  
that, you understand  
**Christmas.**

**John MacArthur**

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"But thou, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall he come unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose going forth is from of old, from everlasting..." (Micah 5:2)

**Man's MAKER was MADE MAN,  
that He, RULER of the STARS,  
might NURSE at His MOTHER'S breast;  
that the BREAD might HUNGER,  
the FOUNTAIN THIRST, the LIGHT SLEEP,  
the WAY be TIRED on its JOURNEY;  
that the TRUTH might be ACCUSED of FALSE witness,  
the TEACHER be BEATEN with whips,  
the FOUNDATION be SUSPENDED on wood;  
that STRENGTH might grow WEAK;  
that the HEALER might be WOUNDED;  
that LIFE might DIE.**

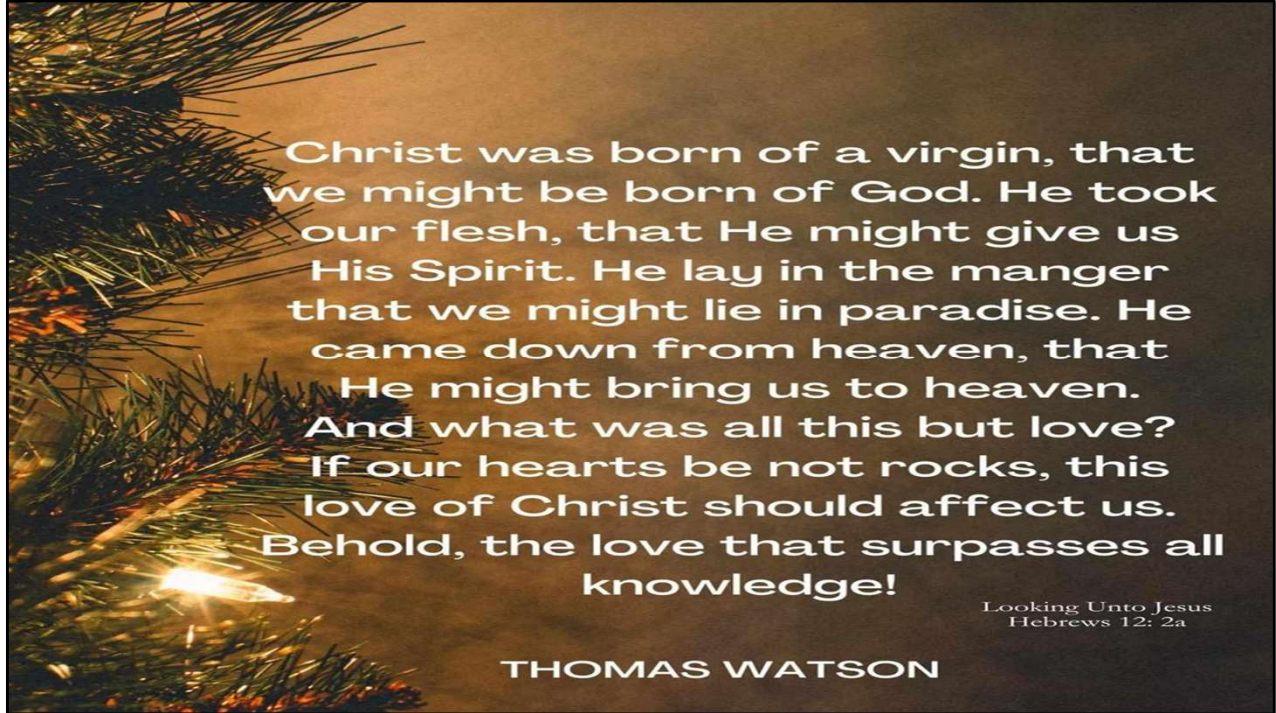
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**Christ was born of a virgin, that We might be born of God.  
He Took our flesh, that He might give us His Spirit  
He lay in the manger That we might lie in paradise.  
He came Down from heaven that He might bring Us to heaven.  
And what was all this but love?  
If our hearts be not rocks, this Love of Christ should affect us.  
Behold, the love that surpasses all Knowledge**

Looking unto Jesus : Hebrews 12:2a  
Thomas Watson



LOVE HAS A NAME.

JESUS.

LOVE HAS A PLACE.

OUR HEARTS.

LOVE HAS A STORY.

AND IT'S NOT  
FINISHED YET.





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# STAR

in a precise orbit millennia  
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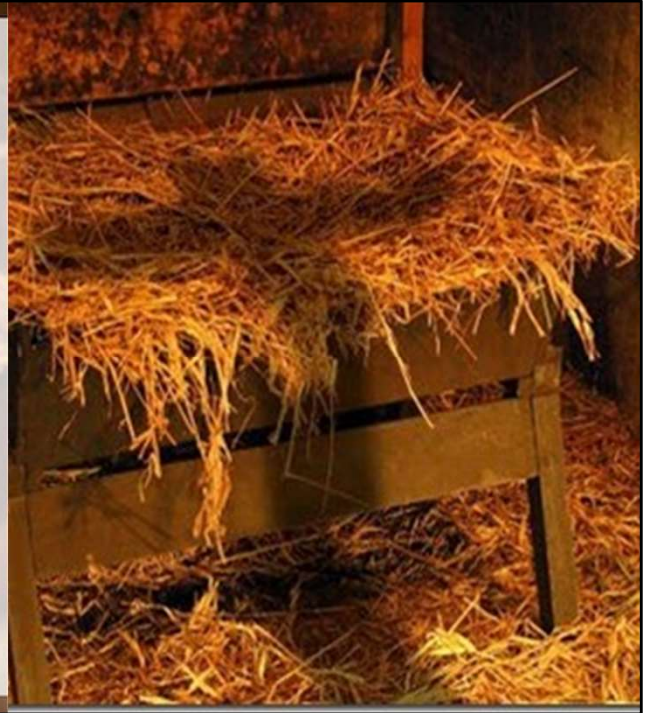




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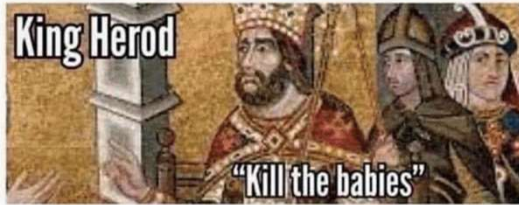
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the babies

**PROPHECIES OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST**  
 ISALAH 11:1,10; 9:6-7

NATION OF ISRAEL  
 Repository of Truth (Rom. 3:2)  
 National Witness (Ex. 29:6)  
 Channel of Redeemer (Rom. 9:5)

Seed of the Woman

Line of Seth

Line of Shem

In Abraham

In Isaac

In Jacob

In Judah

In Jesse

In David

In Solomon  
 Assured David of:  
 1. His House  
 2. His Throne  
 3. His Kingdom

GENESIS

3:15

4:25

9:26

12:3

21:12

25:23

49:10

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16:1

16:12-13

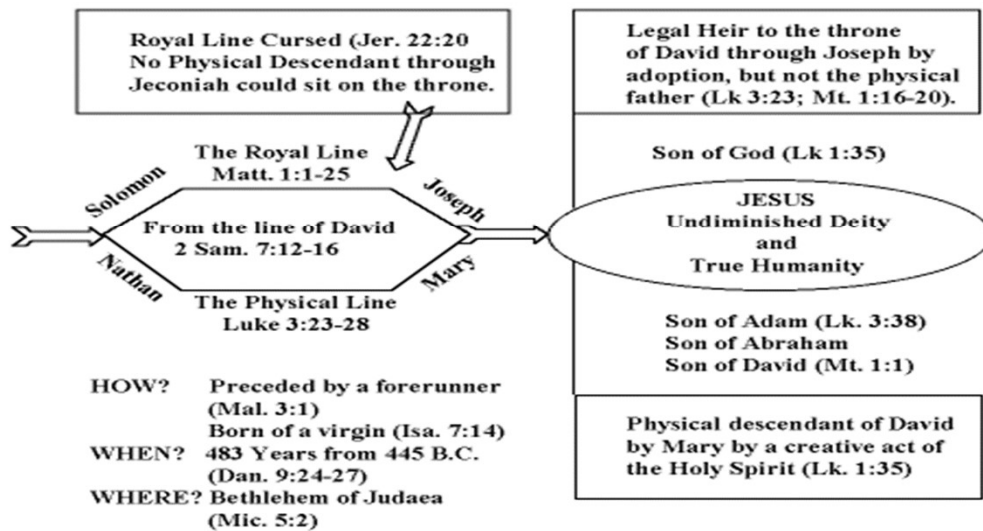
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7:12-17

David, the tenth generation from Perez

- ↓ A sentence and prophecy of Satan's defeat.
- ↓ A promise and prophecy of the means of man's salvation.
- ↓ A prophecy of the continual struggle between Satan's people and God's.
- ↓ A prophecy of the cross, the ultimate place of victory.

## PROPHECIES OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST





## *Is Jesus the Son of God?*

### 42 Old Testament Prophecies fulfilled by Christ

Prophecies About the Messiah (Christ)	Old Testament Scripture	New Testament Fulfillment
Born of a woman	Genesis 3:15	Matthew 1:20-21; Galatians 4:4
Born in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	Matthew 2:1; Luke 2:4-6
Born of a virgin	Isaiah 7:14	Matthew 1:22-23 Luke 1:26-31
From the line of Abraham	Genesis 12:3; 22:18	Matthew 1:1; Romans 9:5
A descendant of Isaac	Genesis 17:19; 21:12	Luke 3:34
A descendant of Jacob	Numbers 24:17	Matthew 1:2
From the tribe of Judah	Genesis 49:10	Luke 3:33; Heb. 7:14
Heir to King David's throne	2 Samuel 7:12-13 Isaiah 9:7	Luke 1:32-33; Romans 1:3

<b>According to the prophets, the Promised Deliverer would be:</b>	<b>Fulfilled by:</b>
1. The offspring of a woman	Jesus
2. A male	Jesus
3. A descendant of Abraham	Jesus
4. A descendant of Isaac	Jesus
5. A descendant of Jacob (Israel)	Jesus
6. From the tribe of Judah	Jesus
7. A descendant of King David	Jesus
8. Preceded by a messenger (John)	Jesus
9. Born in Bethlehem Ephrathah	Jesus
10. Known as a Nazarene, from Nazareth	Jesus

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