

Series "The King And His Kingdom"
"The King's Birth"
Matthew 1:18-25
Study 2

Matthew 1:21 Notice that it says "**She (Mary) will bear a Son**;
Notice that **S-Son** is capitalized because this Son was no ordinary son, but the Son of God! Deity of Jesus Christ

and you shall call His name Jesus – "Savior" for He will save His people from their sins."

The Theme of The Gospel of Matthew is "Jesus Christ The King"

Matthew 1-10 The Revelation of The King—

Thought Of Our Passage: "No Birth Like The Birth Of Jesus; When God Took On Human Flesh And Became One Of Us."

- 1. Verses 18-20 God Became Flesh:**
- 2. Verse 21 God Saves Sinners:**
- 3. Verses 22-25 God With Us:**

1. Verses 18-20 God Became Flesh:

Matthew 1:18

Now – Marks a change in Matthew's account of the truth about the King.

Matthew 1:1-17 The genealogy of the King. Must be the rightful one.

Matthew 1:16 Jacob was the father of Joseph the husband of Mary,

Joseph – was the legal foster-father of Jesus. Matthew starts with Abraham and traces the bloodline that leads to Joseph. This is the kingly (Royal) line of Jesus.

the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows.

Details of the birth of the King.

Jesus comes from the name **Joshua**, which means "*Jehovah is salvation*"

Christ means "*anointed*"; it is the Greek equivalent of Messiah.

He is "Jesus the Messiah"

Immanuel describes who He is— "*God with us*"

Isaiah 7:14; 8:8

Jesus – The Son of God's name, identifying Him with Humanity.

Christ – "*Anointed One, Messiah*" **Christ** is His official title.

when His mother Mary,

Was the "*Mother of Jesus,*" not "*Mother of God.*"

had been betrothed to Joseph,
Marriages in the East were prearranged

Three Stages Of A Jewish Marriage:

- 1. Engagement:** A contract (Promise) is made between families.
- 2. Betrothal:** Similar to the engagement stage, except that couples signed a legal document that could only be broken by divorce. They did not live together, and they maintained their fidelity. This second stage lasted for about a year.
- 3. Marriage Proper:** they would then live together as a couple.

Conceived By The Holy Spirit:
she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit.
Note how this took place, **with child by the Holy Spirit.**

“The Virgin Birth!”
(God’s method by which God would become man) “God/Man”

To deny and or reject the virgin birth is to leave Christianity.
It is the very core of what makes Jesus the real Jesus. Foundation of Christianity.
John 1:14 And the Word became flesh, Isaiah 7:14

Luke 1:26-35 "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; Mary would conceive of the Holy Spirit.

overshadow – the word *"describes God's presence in the sanctuary"*

Why Is The Virgin Birth So Important?

Because if Mary and Joseph are the parents of Jesus, then Jesus is not God but a man, and if Jesus is a man, we cannot be forgiven of our sins because only God can forgive. **John 3:6; 1 John 5:1**

and for that reason the holy offspring shall be called the Son of God.

Because Mary conceived of the Holy Spirit, Jesus was **not only the Son of Man but the Son of God.** **1 Timothy 3:16**

Matthew 1:19 And Joseph – "to act or add"
This man lived up to his name.

her husband, being a righteous man,
"Used of him whose way of thinking, feeling, and acting is wholly conformed to the will of God, upright"

and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly.
Mary being pregnant out of wedlock was a sin.
It was disgraceful, and not honorable.

Matthew 1:20 But when he had considered this,
Joseph had been told through Mary, and Mary was saying that she was with child by the Holy Spirit.

behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream,
God will come to us and give us direction. **Proverbs 3:6**

Angels – Are ministering spirits. Hebrews 1:14

Kingly Lineage Of Jesus: saying, "Joseph, son of David,
Notice how God addressed Joseph, noting that Joseph is of the kingly line of David!

Deity Confirmed By An Angel:
do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

2. Verse 21 God Saves Sinners:

Matthew 1:21 "She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus,
In Bible times it was the father that would give the child its name.
God the Father would give His son His name.

"you shall call his name" four times in Scripture.
God chose the names of four sons:

1. Ishmael: Genesis 16:11 you shall call his name Ishmael,
Ishmael – means "God will hear"

2. Isaac: This was Abraham's second son.
Genesis 17:19 you shall call his name Isaac;
Isaac – "Laughter" This was to remind Abraham and Sarah how they had laughed at the promise of God. Abraham in joy and Sarah in unbelief.

These first two boys that were named by God typify two great spiritual truths:
Ishmael – This first son who was named by God represents the flesh.
Isaac – Represents the Spirit. Born of Abraham's and Sarah's faith in God.

3. John The Baptist: Luke 1:13 John – "God is gracious"
This baby was sent by God to prepare the way for the Messiah who would bring God's grace to the world.

4. Jesus: Matthew 1:21 Jesus comes from the name **Joshua**, which means
"Jehovah is salvation"
for He will save His people from their sins." This simple statement makes clear the mission of Jesus Christ is the forgiveness of sins. **Romans 3:23; Romans 5:8**

3. Verses 22-25 God With Us:

Matthew 1:22 Jesus Confirmed Through Scriptures:
to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet:
God's Word and message.

to fulfill what was spoken

Several hundred prophecies from the OT that were written over a period of 1,000 years.

Matthew 1:23 Isaiah 7:14 IMMANUEL - "GOD WITH US" Of all the names given to Jesus this must be the most encouraging word.

God With Us - That life is much too difficult for anyone.

God Like Us - to identify with us. **Hebrews 2:17-18**

Matthew 1:24 Joseph's Obedience Was Immediate - did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, (Delayed obedience is disobedience)

Joseph's Obedience Was Complete - and took Mary as his wife, "took unto his side"

Matthew 1:25 but kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son;
They did not have a sexual relationship before Jesus was born.

Matthew 12:46 brothers; Matthew 13:55-56 brothers, His sisters, Mark 3:31-32 His brothers; Luke 8:19-20 and brothers; John 7:3-5 His brothers

and he called His name Jesus.

Obedience to God the Father: naming His Son.

Philippians 2:10-11

Application: Responding To His Birth:

1. The Virgin Birth Is Important Because... If Mary and Joseph are the parents of Jesus, then Jesus is not God but a man, and if He is a man, we cannot be forgiven of our sins because our sin is against God and only God can forgive sin.
2. The Virgin Birth Is God's Method By Which God Would Become Man: Jesus Was Born To Die For Us.
3. God Declares Mankind Lost. God's Remedy Is Jesus, Which Means "*Jehovah Is Salvation*" All Are In Need Of Salvation
4. God Knew That Life Is Too Demanding, So God Sent Us IMMANUEL, Which Means, "GOD WITH US"