

"Jesus' Birth"
Matthew 1:18-25
Christmas Eve 2016

Matthew 1:21

Notice that the **"S" in "Son"** is capitalized because this son was no ordinary son but The Son of God!

Jesus – "Jehovah is salvation"

1. Verses 18-20 – Jesus – Our Savior

2. Verse 21 – Jesus – Our Redeemer

3. Verses 22-25 – Jesus – God With Us

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Matthew 1:18

Matthew 1:1-17 – The genealogy of the King.

Matthew 1:16

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

The word "Christ" means "anointed". It is the Greek equivalent of "Messiah". He is "Jesus the Messiah." Immanuel describes who He is – "God with us". Jesus Christ is God! We find this name "Immanuel" in Isaiah 7:14.

"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 the "Mother of God."

"Betrothal" – This is similar to the engagement stage, except that couples signed a legal document that could only be broken by divorce.

Conceived By The Holy Spirit: "she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit."

What made all the difference is "The Virgin Birth!" God's method by which God would become man.

John 1:14 – "And the Word became flesh,"

Isaiah 7:14

Luke 1:26-35

“Overshadow” – The word describes “God’s presence in the sanctuary”;
Speaks of a conscience experience.

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 He is a man, we
cannot be forgiven of our sins because only God can forgive.

John 3:6; 1 John 5:1

1 Timothy 3:16

Matthew 1:19

“And Joseph her husband,” – “to act or add.”

“being a righteous man,” – “used of him whose way of thinking, feeling,
and acting is wholly conformed to the will of God.”

Matthew 1:20

“Angels” – Are ministering spirits. Hebrews 1:14

Confirmed By An Angel: “do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for
that which has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.” (Isaiah 7:14)

2. Verse 21 – Jesus – Our Redeemer:

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Jesus comes from the name “Joshua”, which means “Jehovah is salvation”

“for it is He who will save His people from their sins.” – This simple
statement makes clear the mission of Jesus Christ – forgiveness of sins.

3. Verses 22-25 – Jesus – God With Us:

Matthew 1:22

Confirmed by the Holy Scriptures: “spoken by the Lord through the
prophet”

"might be fulfilled," – Several hundred prophecies from the OT that were written over a period of a 1000 years.

Matthew 1:23 – Isaiah 7:14

"GOD WITH US." – Of all the names given to Jesus, this has to be the most encouraging word.

God like us – To identify with us.

Hebrews 2:17

Matthew 1:24

Joseph's Obedience Was Immediate – "And Joseph arose from his sleep, and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him,"

Joseph's Obedience Was Complete – "and took her as his wife,"

Matthew 1:25

"and he called His name Jesus." – "Jehovah is salvation"

Philippians 2:6-11

Application:

1. Why 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 only God can forgive.
2. The Virgin Birth Is God's Method By Which God Would Become Man.
3. God Declares Mankind Lost. God's Remedy Is Jesus, Which Means "Jehovah Is Salvation."
4. God Knew Life To Be To Demanding, So God Sent Us IMMANUEL, Which Means, "GOD WITH US."