

“The Miraculous Christmas”
Luke 1:26-38
Christmas Eve 2010

The Purpose of Luke’s Gospel – Luke 1:4

1. Verses 26-33 – God Becoming A Man

2. Verses 34-35 – The Virgin Birth

3. Verses 36-38 – Mary’s Great Faith

1. Verses 26-33 – God Becoming A Man:

Luke 1:26-27

Joseph – “To act or add”

Luke 1:28

The Humility of Mary: “Hail, favored one!”; “unmerited, undeserved grace from God!”

KJV: “blessed art thou among women.” Notice it does not say: blessed art thou Above women.

Luke 1:48

Luke 1:29

The Spiritual Depth of Mary: “and kept pondering what kind of salutation this might be.” The word pondering – “to take an inventory, to estimate, reason, reckon, suppose, think”

Psalm 119:78

Luke 1:30-31

The name Jesus – Hebrew Joshua which means “Salvation” “Jehovah Saves” Or “Jehovah Is Salvation”

Luke 1:32

“and will be called the Son of the Most High;” Luke 1:31

God would become man. The great miracle; Incarnation – (“in” and “flesh”)

John 1:14 "the Word became flesh."

"coming in the flesh" 1 John 4:2; 2 John 7

Isaiah, 700 years before Jesus' birth, described God in Flesh. Isa 7:14

Immanuel – It means "the very presence of the virgin-born Child brings God to His people."

Isaiah 9:6

Mighty God means "The hero God."

Heb 2:17

Romans 6:23

Romans 5:6-8

"and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David;" 2 Sam. 7:8-16 Davidic Covenant.

Luke 1:33

God Becoming Man Is Miraculous: So He could be the perfect sacrifice for sin!

2. Verses 34-35 – The Virgin Birth:

Luke 1:34

Scriptures Emphasis That Mary Was A Virgin: Luke 1:27

The OT Foretold This Miracle: Isa. 7:14

Matt 1:18

Matt 1:20

Luke 1:35

Overshadow – The word "Describes God's presence in the sanctuary"

John 3:6

The Virgin Birth Is Miraculous: It proves Jesus was divine. It sets the time of the incarnation not later!

3. Verses 36-38 – Mary’s Great Faith:

Luke 1:36

Luke 1:34 "How can this be, since I am a virgin?"

Luke 1:37 "For nothing will be impossible with God." Literally "For not impossible will be every word with God."

Gen. 18:14

Luke 1:38

Mary by faith gave herself in submission to God:

Application:

1. We Are All Sinners Separated From God: Rom. 3:23
2. Our Sin Has Earned Us Death. Rom. 6:23
3. Jesus Loves Us And Has Paid For Our Sins: Rom. 5:8
4. We Need To Repent Of Our Sin And Place Our Faith In Jesus: Rom. 10:9-10