

December 12, 2021 Worship Service Pastor Bruce Adrian WeAreLifeBridge.com

A Manger with a Mission

Lesson Two • Matthew 1:18-25

Born to Be Savior

A Divine Rescue Mission

God sent a SAVIOR to rescue us from our sin.

Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. Matthew 1:18

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1. Mary's Pregnancy Was SCANDALOUS! (vs. 18-20)

The Truth about Joseph and Mary

- > Joseph was RIGHTEOUS in his character and compassion for Mary.
- Mary was FAITHFUL in her betrothal to Joseph.

2. Jesus' Conception Was MIRACULOUS! (vs. 21)

The Conception of Jesus

Jesus was conceived by the <u>HOLY SPIRIT</u> not by Joseph or another man.

The conception of Jesus is the most extraordinary miracle in all the Bible and the most profound mystery in all the universe.

The Angelic Announcement about Jesus

- The angel announced His GENDER: "She will bear a Son"
- The angel announced His <u>NAME</u>: "You shall call His name Jesus"
- The angel announced His <u>MISSION</u>: "He will save His people from their sins"

3. Joseph's Obedience Was COURAGEOUS! (vs. 24-25)

The Obedience of Joseph

- Joseph took Mary as his legal WIFE.
- Joseph named Jesus as his legal SON.

What Jesus' Birth Confirms

God is always <u>FAITHFUL</u> to His word and always <u>PRESENT</u> with us through the birth of His Son Jesus Christ.

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). Matthew 18:22-23