

THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
And the Glorious Result...GOD WITH US!!!
Matthew 1:18-25

- I. **JOSEPHS DILEMMA: It's not his baby (18-19)**
 - A. **Mary found to be with child...unknown to Joseph, by the Holy Spirit (18)**

 - B. **Joseph's difficult, but righteous response: He desired not to shame her, but to divorce her secretly (19)**

- II. **GOD'S FAITHFUL INTERVENTION: An angel commands Joseph to take Mary as his wife, because God is taking on human flesh to save His people from their sins (20-21)**
 - A. **Don't fear...Marry Mary (20a)**

 - B. **Why? God is taking on human flesh to save His people from their sins (20b-21)**

- III. **AN EXPLANATION FOR US: It is Prophecy fulfilled (God with us) (22-23)**
 - A. **The Lord's Word spoken through Isaiah is fulfilled (22)**

 - B. **The Prophecy from Isaiah 7:14 which was fulfilled (23)**
 - 1. **Virgin shall conceive and shall bear a Son (23a)**

 - 2. **They will call Him Immanuel (God with us) (23b)**

- IV. **AN EXAMPLE FOR US: Joseph obediently takes Mary as his wife, keeping her pure, and names her Son Jesus (24-25)**