

JESUS CHRIST SON OF MAN

PRE-MINISTERIAL EVENTS

I. BIRTH OF JESUS

A. **Luke 2:1-7** In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. ²(This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³And everyone went to his own town to register. ⁴So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

1. In those days
 - a. God moves upon men to get His work done
2. Bethlehem
 - a. **Micah 5:2** "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."
3. Wrapped Him
 - a. He would have been bundled up like a mummy

II. ANGELIC ANNOUNCEMENT TO SHEPHERDS

A. **Luke 2:8-12** ⁸And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

1. Glory of the Lord
 - a. Shekinah Glory of God
2. TODAY [a definite day that God had a Son]
 - a. **Psalms 2:7** I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: He said to me, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father
 - b. **Hebrews 1:5-7** For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? ⁶And again, when God brings his firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." ⁷In speaking of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, his servants flames of fire."
3. A SAVIOR
 - a. One who saves from impending danger
4. Born to you
 - a. Gods' gift to man
5. CHRIST THE LORD
 - a. CHRIST
 - (1) Greek = Chistos = Anointed. Like the name Jesus it has no reference to deity, but to the Son of God, who became the Christ or the "Anointed One" 30 years after He was born of Mary
 - b. THE LORD
 - (1) The Lord of all power, hence able to save. Jesus is SAVIOR, CHRIST and

LORD. The good news is about a person, not some religion with its creeds, doctrines, confessions, and outward forms.

- (a) **Acts 2:36** "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."
- (b) **Romans 14:9** For this very reason, Christ died and returned to life so that he might be the Lord of both the dead and the living.
- (c) **1 Cor. 8:6** yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live.
 - i) GOD = **theos**, Greek 2316, Strong's **theos**, *theh'-os*; of uncertain affinity; a *deity*, especially (with Greek 3588 (ho)) *the* supreme *Divinity*; figurative a *magistrate*; by Hebrew *very* :- × exceeding, God, god [-ly, -ward].
 - ii) LORD = **kurios**, Greek 2962, Strong's **kurios**, *koo'-ree-os*; from **kuros** (*supremacy*); *supreme* in authority, i.e. (as noun) *controller*; by implication *Mr.* (as a respectful title) :- God, Lord, master, Sir.

6. A SIGN TO YOU

- a. Greek = semeion = something is known; a divine work or call it is used to confirm a work of mission from God.

III. THE WORSHIP OF THE ANGELS

- A. Luke 2:13-14¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."
 - 1. "On whom HIS favor rests"
 - a. God only desires good to man.
 - (1) **Psalm 84:11** For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.
 - (2) **1 Tim. 2:4** who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.
 - (3) **2 Peter 3:9** The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.
 - (4) In this account of the Angels appearing, what do you not hear. Why?
 - (a) **Isaiah 7:14** Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.
 - (b) **Matthew 1:23** "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"--which means, "God with us."

IV. SHEPHERDS CONFIRM THE BIRTH OF JESUS

- A. Luke 2:15-20¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." ¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.
 - 1. What is it they had to tell others?
 - 2. What reasons did they have to praise God?

V. THE NAMING OF JESUS

- A. Luke 2:21-²¹On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise him, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he had been conceived.

1. Jesus will fulfill all the Law

- a. **Genesis 17:10-14** This is my covenant with you and your descendants after you, the covenant you are to keep: Every male among you shall be circumcised. ¹¹You are to undergo circumcision, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and you. ¹²For the generations to come every male among you who is eight days old must be circumcised, including those born in your household or bought with money from a foreigner--those who are not your offspring. ¹³Whether born in your household or bought with your money, they must be circumcised. My covenant in your flesh is to be an everlasting covenant. ¹⁴Any uncircumcised male, who has not been circumcised in the flesh, will be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant."
- b. **Leviticus 12:3** On the eighth day the boy is to be circumcised.

VI. THE PURIFYING OF MARY

- A. Luke 2:22-24 ²²When the time of their purification according to the Law of Moses had been completed, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord"), ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: "a pair of doves or two young pigeons."

1. The time of their purification

- a. **Leviticus 12:1-6** The LORD said to Moses, ²"Say to the Israelites: 'A woman who becomes pregnant and gives birth to a son will be ceremonially unclean for seven days, just as she is unclean during her monthly period. ³On the eighth day the boy is to be circumcised. ⁴Then the woman must wait thirty-three days to be purified from her bleeding. She must not touch anything sacred or go to the sanctuary until the days of her purification are over. ⁵If she gives birth to a daughter, for two weeks the woman will be unclean, as during her period. Then she must wait sixty-six days to be purified from her bleeding. ⁶" 'When the days of her purification for a son or daughter are over, she is to bring to the priest at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting a year-old lamb for a burnt offering and a young pigeon or a dove for a sin offering.

(1) In this chapter the LAW is mentioned 5 times to show that Jesus was under LAW.

(2) Look at the five things that He did that fulfilled custom and the law.

- (a) Circumcision
- (b) Naming the child
- (c) Ceremonial purification of Mary
- (d) Presentation of Jesus to God
- (e) Offering sacrifices.

- i) **Galatians 4:4** But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law,

VII. THE PROPHECY OF SIMEON

- A. Luke 2:25-35 ²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. ²⁷Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: ²⁹"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. ³⁰For my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹which you have prepared in the sight of all people, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." ³³The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to

Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

1. Consolation = term used to describe the coming and ministry of the Messiah
2. Led by the Spirit
3. Took Him in his arms
 - a. The first to see and handle The Word of Life
 - (1) **1 John 1:1** That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched--this we proclaim concerning the Word of life.
4. God's salvation is not merely a deliverance as such, but it is a person - The Deliverer
 - a. **Isaiah 62:11** The LORD has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: "Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your Savior comes! See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him.'"
 - b. **John 3:16** "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
5. What God is doing is open to all people.
6. It is for the Gentile as well as the Jew.
7. Will be a stumbling block to the Jew when they reject Him
 - a. **Isaiah 8:14** and he will be a sanctuary; but for both houses of Israel he will be a stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall. And for the people of Jerusalem he will be a trap and a snare.
 - b. **Matthew 21:42-44** Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: " 'The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes'? ⁴³"Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. ⁴⁴He who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, but he on whom it falls will be crushed."
 - c. **Acts 4:11** He is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone."
 - d. **Romans 9:33** As it is written: "See, I lay in Zion a stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame."
 - e. **1 Cor. 1:23** but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,
 - (1) anytime something is repeated this many times in scripture we should try and understand the meaning of it. The Jew without Jesus is LOST, the Muslim without Jesus is lost. "There is no other name, but the NAME OF JESUS"
 - f. Will be SALVATION to them when they receive Him.
 - (1) **Zech. 12:10-13** "And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son. ¹¹On that day the weeping in Jerusalem will be great, like the weeping of Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. ¹²The land will mourn, each clan by itself, with their wives by themselves: the clan of the house of David and their wives, the clan of the house of Nathan and their wives, ¹³the clan of the house of Levi and their wives, the clan of Shimei and their wives,
 - (2) **Acts 15:13-15** When they finished, James spoke up: "Brothers, listen to me. ¹⁴Simon has described to us how God at first showed his concern by taking from the Gentiles a people for himself. ¹⁵The words of the prophets are in agreement with this, as it is written:
 - (3) **Romans 11:25-29** I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. ²⁶And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The deliverer will

come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob. ²⁷And this is my covenant with them when I take away their sins." ²⁸As far as the gospel is concerned, they are enemies on your account; but as far as election is concerned, they are loved on account of the patriarchs, ²⁹for God's gifts and his call are irrevocable.

VIII. THE PROPHETESS

- A. Luke 2:36-38 ³⁶There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. ³⁸Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.
1. Shows God had made known to many, but they had a qualification
 2. Looking forward
 - a. God is open in the world today, to those who are looking for Him.
 3. The message was not just to males. This woman represents the women of here time.

CHILDHOOD OF JESUS

- B. Luke 2:39-52 ³⁹When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him. ⁴¹Every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover. ⁴²When he was twelve years old, they went up to the Feast, according to the custom. ⁴³After the Feast was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. ⁴⁴Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you." ⁴⁹"Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁵¹Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵²And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

1. TEN FACTS OF SCRIPTURE THAT WE SHOULD GLEAN FROM THIS

a.

Jesus grew in body	verse 40
grew in mind	verse 40
was filled with wisdom	verse 40
lived with God's grace	verse 40
had the gift of God, teaching	verse 47
was a model boy	verse 51
increased in wisdom	verse 52
grew to manhood	verse 52

grew in favor WITH GOD and man

verse 52 - **Psalm 119:97-104** Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long. ⁹⁸Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are ever with me. ⁹⁹I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on your statutes. ¹⁰⁰I have more understanding than the elders, for I obey your precepts. ¹⁰¹I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey your word. ¹⁰²I have not departed from your laws, for you yourself have taught me. ¹⁰³How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! ¹⁰⁴I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path. - **Isaiah 50:4** The Sovereign LORD has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught.

- b. At twelve the boy became ‘son of the law’
 - (1) Joseph would have paid the 5 shekels in redemption money that would have kept him at home and obedient to Joseph
 - (a) **Numbers 3:47** collect five shekels for each one, according to the sanctuary shekel, which weighs twenty gerahs.
 - (b) **Numbers 18:16** When they are a month old, you must redeem them at the redemption price set at five shekels of silver, according to the sanctuary shekel, which weighs twenty gerahs.
- c. ‘Son ... your father
 - (1) not totally correct
- d. THE FIRST RECORDED WORDS OF JESUS - ABOUT MY FATHERS BUSINESS.
 - (1) **Psalm 40:5-11** Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders you have done. The things you planned for us no one can recount to you; were I to speak and tell of them, they would be too many to declare. ⁶Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but my ears you have pierced; burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not require. ⁷Then I said, "Here I am, I have come-- it is written about me in the scroll. ⁸I desire to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart." ⁹I proclaim righteousness in the great assembly; I do not seal my lips, as you know, O LORD. ¹⁰I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; I speak of your faithfulness and salvation. I do not conceal your love and your truth from the great assembly. ¹¹Do not withhold your mercy from me, O LORD; may your love and your truth always protect me.
- e. THE LAST WORDS HE WILL SAY “IT IS FINISHED” - MY FATHERS BUSINESS.
- f. All this a gentle reminder to Mary and Joseph.