

# “Why I Should Believe in the Conception and Birth of Jesus”

**Text:** Matt. 1:18-25

## Introduction

- I. There are many individuals who do not believe that miracles have ever occurred.
  - A. Some laugh and ridicule those who do believe.
  - B. In regard to Jesus, there are theories against his miraculous conception.
    1. Some try to portray Mary as an immoral woman.
    2. Some simply try to describe her as “a young maid” instead of a virgin.
- II. The Bible supplies adequate evidence to believe that the conception of Jesus was miraculous and that His birth was a fulfillment of prophecy.

## Discussion

- I. The conception of Jesus was miraculous.
  - A. His miraculous conception was foretold long before His physical birth (Isa. 7:14; Gen. 3:15; Jer. 31:22).
  - B. The process by which this miracle occurred was explained to Mary (Luke 1:26-38).
  - C. Joseph, Mary's fiancée, was also informed of this miraculous event (Matt. 1:18-25).
  - D. There is inspired and recorded evidence to support that the conception of Jesus was miraculous (Heb. 11:1).
- II. The birth of Jesus was a fulfillment of prophecy.
  - A. Isaiah and Matthew explained such (Matt. 1:22-23; Isa. 7:14).
  - B. The tribe into which He would be born was prophesied (Gen. 49:10).
  - C. Even the city of His birth was prophesied (Micah 5:2; John 7:40-42; Luke 2:1-7, 10-11).
  - D. There is enough evidence to support that the birth of Jesus was a fulfillment of prophecy.

## Conclusion

- I. Regardless of the critics and naysayers, miraculous things have occurred.
- II. Two of those great things were the conception of Jesus and the prophecies of His birth.