

# **“Things We Learn from Jesus' Birth”**

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

### Discussion

- I. A study of the birth of Jesus is useful in many ways.
- II. We will notice that God keeps His Word, salvation awaits the obedient, and Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah.
  - I. God keeps His Word.
    - A. The Messiah would be born of a virgin (Isa. 7:14; cf. Matt. 1:22-23; Luke 1:35).
    - B. The Messiah would be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2; cf. Matt. 2:1-6; Luke 2:4-7).
    - C. The Messiah would be called out of Egypt (Hosea 11:1; cf. Matt. 2:15).
    - D. We can trust God to keep His Word (Isa. 55:11)
  - II. Salvation awaits the obedient.
    - A. Joseph is a great example of obeying (Matt. 1:20-25).
    - B. The obedience of Joseph played a part in God's plan of salvation.
    - C. We can be certain of salvation if we obey God (Heb. 5:8-9; Rom. 6:16-18; cf. John 3:36 ASV; cf. Isa. 50:10).
  - III. Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah.
    - A. The name Jesus means “savior” (Matt. 1:21; cf. Luke 2:11; John 4:42; Acts 5:30-31; 13:23; Phil. 3:20; 2 Tim. 1:10; Titus 1:4; 2:13; 3:6; 2 Pet. 1:1, 11; 3:2, 18; 1 John 4:14).
    - B. Jesus=Emmanuel (Matt. 1:23; John 1:1-3, 14).
    - C. We can be certain that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah (John 14:6; Acts 9:22).

### Conclusion

- I. It is good to study the birth of Jesus because God included the account in Scriptures.
- II. We must not forget that Jesus was born to die (cf. John 18:37).