

Jesus Our Savior

Matt 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. 19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. 20 But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. 21 And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."

22 So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."

24 Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, 25 and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name JESUS. NKJV

Someone said, "If our greatest need had been information, God would have sent us an educator. If our greatest need had been technology, God would have sent us a scientist. If our greatest need had been money, God would have sent us an economist. But since our greatest need was forgiveness, God sent us a Savior."

- I. He saved us at the point of our greatest need.
- II. Such an Elaborate Plan
 - A. A plan that was formulated in eternity.
 - B. A plan that pits the greatest powers in the universe against one another.
 - C. A plan foreshadowed from Adam to Christ in millions of animal sacrifices.
 - D. A plan foretold by the many Old Testaments Prophets from Moses to Malachi.
 - 1. Over three hundred specific prophecies of is birth, life, death and resurrection.
 - E. A plan that makes God become man.
 - F. A plan that makes sinners saints.
 - G. A plan wholly of grace, without reference to birth, rank, or financial advantage.
 - H. A plan that destroys death and the power of Satan.
- III. Such a Simple Plan
 - A. God's Son came to earth as a babe in a manger.
 - B. He came to take yours sins that you could never deal with.

- C. By casting all aside and a receiving of Jesus secures your salvation.
- D. So simple that a child can comprehend it.
- E. But so simple that the wise scoff at it.
- F. So simple that it always succeeds