

“THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST WAS ON THIS WISE #1”

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1. St. Matthew 1:18-25 “Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. ¹⁹ Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. ²⁰ But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. ²¹ And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. ²² Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, ²³ Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. ²⁴ Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: ²⁵ And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.”
 - a) Mary was engaged to Joseph but was pregnant with child by the Holy Ghost.
 - b) Joseph didn’t want to put her away privately, thinking she had been unfaithful.
 - c) An angel comes to Joseph in a dream, don’t be afraid to marry Mary as your wife.
 - d) Mary will give birth to the Savior of the world to save the people from their sins.

2. I John 3:8 “He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.”
 - a) Anyone who makes a practice of sin is of the devil, who sinned from the beginning.
 - b) This is the reason Jesus was born was to destroy the works of the devil.

3. St. John 10:10 “The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.”
 - a) The devil is a thief who comes to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.
 - b) Jesus was born to bring us life for being spiritually dead & to have it more abundantly.

4. St. John 1:1-14 “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²The same was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴In Him was life; and the life was the light of men. ⁵And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. ⁸He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. ⁹That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not. ¹¹He came unto His own, and His own received him not. ¹²But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name: ¹³Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”

- a) In the beginning was the Word, it was with God, was God, all things made by Him.
- b) In Him was life and the life was the light of men, the darkness could not stop the light.
- c) John came to bear witness to the light, which brings light to every man in the world.
- d) The world was made by Him, they knew Him not, His own didn't even receive Him.
- e) As many as received & believe on Him, He gives authority to become sons of God.
- f) We beheld His glory, the only begotten of the Father, Christmas is Jesus being born.