

## The Birth of Jesus Christ

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup> And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.

<sup>20</sup> But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." <sup>22</sup> All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

<sup>23</sup> "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel"

(which means, God with us). <sup>24</sup> When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, <sup>25</sup> but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

## The Visit of the Wise Men

<sup>2</sup> Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." <sup>3</sup> When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup> and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup> They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup> "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." <sup>9</sup> After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup> And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Matthew 1:18-2:23

For unto us a Child is  
born,  
Unto us a Son is given;  
And the government will  
be upon His shoulder.

And His name will be  
called  
Wonderful, Counselor,  
Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace.

Expect  
the  
Unexpected

Merry Christmas

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Peace, & Early Access To The  
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A Blessed Christmas To All & A  
Happy, Safe & Normal New  
Year 2021!**

**God Bless Us All!**



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Ashton, Ben, Jordan, Reese, Brett, Brad,  
Tina, Saurav, Sean, Tony, Kathy,  
&  
The Great Champion General Charley*

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This Grandson's Ever So Sweet  
Hugs And Kisses From Him  
Are The World's Biggest Treat**

**Our 35th Wedding Anniversary  
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We Weren't Even Together For A Kiss**



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She's The Blessing Of My Life  
Tho She Spends More Than Congress  
The World Knows No Finer Wife**

**So With Hope On The Horizon  
That This Pandemic Is Soon Done  
Merry Christmas To All  
& Happy New Year In Twenty-One!**





