

Title: The Miracle of Jesus Birth
Luke 1:26-31

Introduction

We are celebrating the miracle of Christ's birth. It's a season that is a sign to unbelieving generations that have come and gone since the birth of Jesus. The miraculous surrounds Christ's birth and continues throughout His life, death, and resurrection. The life of Jesus testifies to God's amazing love for humanity.

1. Christ's birth fulfilled many _____.
2. The Christ was to descend from the tribe of _____.
3. The Christ was to be the Heir of _____ Throne.
4. Jesus fulfilled the prophecy concerning the _____ of His birth.
5. The angel, Gabriel, tells Mary she will soon become the _____ mother.
6. Gabriel simply says, "_____ will make it happen."

I. Jesus Was Born of a Virgin

7. There are at least _____ prophecies that Christ fulfilled throughout His 33½ years on earth concerning the Messiah.
8. The mathematical probability of this occurring is almost _____, yet it happened.
9. There are some who call themselves Christians who are _____ by the doctrine of the virgin birth.

10. The virgin birth is an underlying _____ of everything the Bible says about Jesus.
11. If we deny Jesus is God, we _____ the very essence of Christianity.
12. Luke doesn't present Jesus as a myth; he states him as a historical _____!
13. Luke is telling us that God performed a _____.
14. People who have a problem with miracles usually _____ throughout their faith journey as well.

II. Jesus is God Incarnate

15. Jesus was _____ man and _____ God.
16. There is a point in history when the second person of the _____ entered the human race without ceasing to be God.
17. The Bible provides objective, _____ evidence for every honest seeker.
18. The Bible is not a leap of faith or a blind faith; it is a _____ faith.
19. The incarnation of the Lord Jesus Christ is the central _____ of Christianity.
20. His virgin birth, His substitutionary death, His bodily resurrection, and His Second Coming are all part of the package of _____.
21. Humanly, through the lineage of David, He gains the _____ to rule the world, and as deity, He has the _____ to rule the universe.

22. If the genealogy of Jesus were all that could be said about His identity, then Christ would have the legal right to be King, but He could have never _____ us.

III. Jesus is the Miracle of Salvation

23. God chooses to provide a blameless _____ to pay the penalty for our sinfulness.

24. Only a _____ being could take the place of another _____ being.

25. But the Messiah would also have to be God so that his death would have _____ value.

26. That is why one _____ had to be human and the other Divine.

27. Of course, the Bible makes it clear that it was Almighty _____ who worked the details of Jesus' Divine-Human conception.

28. How difficult, really, is a miracle like this for the God who _____ the entire universe?

Conclusion

29. Mary _____ herself to God.

30. God wants to know if we're willing to actively place ourselves into his _____.

31. He doesn't force us to _____, but you can't help but want to _____ when you come in contact with the living Christ.

God isn't asking you to save yourself any more than he asked Mary to have a baby as a virgin by herself. God only

asks that we be like Mary and say, "OK, I'm willing, but You'll have to do the miracle!" If you accept Jesus as that Miracle of Salvation, it will change your whole life. You cannot earn it. You cannot buy it. You cannot do it yourself. But you can believe it and receive it.

Answers

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| 1. prophecies | 12.fact | 23.substitute |
| 2. Judah | 13.miracle | 24.human |
| 3. David's | 14.struggle | 25.infinite |
| 4. time | 15.fully | 26.parent |
| 5. Messiah's | 16.Trinity | 27.God |
| 6. God | 17.verifiable | 28.created |
| 7. 40 | 18.reasonable | 29.submit |
| 8. impossible | 19.fact | 30.hands |
| 9. embarrassed | 20.deity | 31.change |
| 10.assumption | 21.right | |
| 11.reject | 22.redeemed | |

QUESTIONS FOR MEDITATION

1. Faith understands that the One who created the natural laws can certainly suspend them if He wants to. Why do people have problems believing in miracles? What prevents you from believing in miracles and believing that God can and will perform miracles?
2. The Bible is not a leap of faith or a blind faith; it is a reasonable faith. What aspects of the Christmas history make the Bible reasonable? How does the Incarnation resolve doubts rather than raise doubts?
3. Mary submits herself to God. What prevents you from submitting yourself to God like Mary did? What can you do to help allow yourself to submit to God more completely?