

## THE BIRTH OF JESUS THE MESSIAH Pt. 1

(Luke 2:1-7)

### I. THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST (2:1-20)

#### A. The FICTION surrounding the BIRTH of Jesus

#### B. The FACTS surrounding the BIRTH of Jesus (2:1-20)

1. Luke gave us a \_\_\_\_\_ of world history by naming Caesar Augustus; and he also gave us the \_\_\_\_\_ that Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem, because of the census. (v. 1)
2. When Luke cited Caesar's decree, perhaps he was reminding his readers that when it comes to human decrees, however powerful, they \_\_\_\_\_ fall under God's \_\_\_\_\_ providence and decrees. (vv. 2-3; cf. Acts 2:22-24; 4:23-28; Prov. 21:1; Dan. 2:21; 4:17)
3. "*Bethlehem*" means the "house of \_\_\_\_\_," the ideal birthplace for the \_\_\_\_\_ of Life (John 6:35).

\* How far was Bethlehem from Nazareth?

\* Why did Mary travel with Joseph while nine months pregnant?

\* At this point in the story, why is Mary not identified as Joseph's wife? (Matt. 1:24-25)

4. The statement that while they were in the city of Bethlehem “*the days were \_\_\_\_\_ for her to be delivered* (v. 6),” should remind us of Galatians 4:4-5.

\* What does “*she brought forth her firstborn Son*” indicate?

\* What can we conclude about the words, “*manger*” and “*inn*”?

5. The Scriptural fulfillments surrounding Jesus’ birth here in Luke 1 & 2 are...

a. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ a child as a \_\_\_\_\_ via the Holy Spirit just as predicated in Isaiah 7:14.

b. Mary gave birth to a \_\_\_\_\_ just as predicated in Genesis 3:15 and Luke 1:31.

c. Jesus was born in \_\_\_\_\_ just as predicated in Micah 5:2.

d. Jesus was born of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the woman, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ just as predicated in Gen. 3:15; 12:3; 2 Sam. 7:12-17; Luke 1:31-33.

\* What does this teach you about your Bible?

\* What does this teach you about Jesus Christ?