## THE BIRTH OF JESUS THE MESSIAH Pt. 2

(Luke 2:7-20)

I.	THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST (2:1-20)		
	A. T	he FICTION surrounding the BIRTH of Jesus	
	В. Т	the FACTS surrounding the BIRTH of Jesus (2:1-20)	
	1	While the rest of the world was unaware, Mary "brought forth her Son and wrapped Him in "(v. 7)	
	2	The shepherds' occupation made them ceremonially, and so they were socially by the general populace of Jesus' day. (v. 8)	
		* According to the Jewish Mishnah, what were these sheep destined for?	
	3	A single angel appeared to these shepherds out in the field, and they were literally (v. 9)	
	4	In the angel's announcement he reassured these shepherds that his message was one of (Gr. euangelizomai), and it was a cause for great (v. 10)	
	5	This was some announcement! "For there is born to you this day in the city of David a who is the" (v. 11)	

	*What do these names communicate about Jesus?
	-"Savior"
	-"Christ"
	-"Lord"
	* What did (and still does) the world need more than anything else from God's perspective?
6.	These shepherds were given a that they would find this Child in a feeding trough, and suddenly they were in the presence of a multitude of (vv. 12-14)
	* What kind of "peace" would this Child bring to earth?
7.	The shepherds' actions sharply with that of the religious leaders who knew the Messiah was to be born, but made no effort to watch for Him. (vv 15-16; cf. Matt. 2:3-6)
8.	After the shepherds saw Jesus they were the first in the New Testament to spread the word as, as of the good news. (vv. 17-18)
	* Have you personally appropriated this "good news" concerning the Savior?
	* What can you personally apply from this passage today?