WELCOME FAMILY & FRIENDS

Misunderstan ding about the born of Jesus and its connection to Christmas:

- How many wisemen brought gifts to Jesus and worshipped him?
 - Matthew 2:1 2
- Where did the wisemen find Jesus? In the stables or somewhere else?
 - Luke 2:4 7
 - Matthew 2:1, 9 11
- Was Jesus born on December 25?
 - Luke 2:8
- If not, then why is Christmas celebrated on December 25?
- Did the first century church celebrate a peculiar day of the year as the birthdate of Jesus Christ?
- Does the Word of God command us to hold a special time of worship honoring Jesus' birthday?
 - No where in the Word of God are we called to honor Christ's birth on any particular day.

What are some important lessons we should learn from the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ?

The birth of Jesus was the miraculous working of God!

- Luke 1:34–35 (ESV)
- ³⁴ And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

Philippians 2:5-8

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of 'eath, even the death of the cross"



The birth of Jesus was the fulfillment of prophecy!

²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: ²³ "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). --Matthew 1.22-23 ESV

⁵ They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: ⁶ "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." Matthew 2:5-6 ESV The birth of Jesus was the answer to man's prayer of Redemption!





...GOD SHOWS HIS LOVE FOR US IN THAT WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US. Romans 5:8 ESY

The birth of Jesus was greatest demonstration of God's Love for you!

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

John 3:16-17 ESV

For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Galatians 3:26-27

> Have you been washed in the blood of Jesus Christ?