

Heartland Bible Institute
Life of Christ
The Arrival of the King
Lesson 2 Study Guide

I. The Introduction of the King

A. The Four Gospels: An analysis of the four Gospels

The Four Gospels are the only _____ records that we have of the Life of Jesus Christ. Each Gospel is a _____ portrait that the Holy Ghost wanted to present to the Jews, the Gentiles and the Church concerning the Savior of the world.

The word Gospel is derived from the Anglo-Saxon word “godspell” that means “a _____ of God”.

What these four narratives provide for us are the _____ of the Lord Jesus Christ’s death, burial and resurrection.

Luk 1:1 Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us, 2 Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word; 3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus, 4 That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed.

1Co 15:1 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. 3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

So as the _____ of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ was being told there was a desire from those who had _____ to know more about the One who came from heaven to provide them forgiveness of sin, reconcile them to God so that they may have _____ in heaven with Him.

Key Facts of the Gospels

Matthew's name means " _____ " of Jehovah" or "gift of God"

Mat 9:9 And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

His Jewish name was _____.

Mar 2:14 And as he passed by, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the receipt of custom, and said unto him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him.

Theme: Christ the _____ of the Jews

Mat 2:2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

Jer 23:5 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

Matthew wrote his Gospel targeting his people the Jews to _____ to them that Jesus Christ is their Messiah.

Christ is seen in the Gospel of Matthew as the promised King coming in promised _____

Mat 21:5 Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.

Zec 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass. The key verse of Matthew's Gospel corresponds with the theme of this Gospel.

Mat 27:37 And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. The key word is _____ mentioned 56 times and the Kingdom of heaven is referred to 32 times.

Matthew's Gospel has 60 references to the Old Testament and of these 60 he points out _____ fulfilled prophecies concerning Jesus Christ.

Matthew: The Two Rejections

Chapter 1 – 12	Chapter 13-28
Rejection of the _____	Rejection of the _____
<p>_____ (Kingdom of heaven at hand) <i>Both John and Jesus began by proclaiming that the kingdom of heaven was at hand, but this proclamation would soon fall on deaf ears.</i></p> <p>Galilee (Matthew 19:1) <i>Jesus did most of his ministry in this region of Galilee but in time it was clear that they were seeking a conquering hero rather than a Savior and so he departed.</i></p> <p>_____ (Matthew 26:55) <i>The multitudes gladly followed him due to his healing them and feeding them but they also began to turn in their minds against him and eventually cried out against him.</i></p> <p>Come to Minister (Matthew 20:28) <i>Jesus was not fulfilling their expectations of a Solomon like kingdom.</i></p> <p>_____ (shew us a sign) (Matthew 16:1) <i>Jesus performed many miracles but the one miracle they wanted from him, to establish a kingdom did not materialize.</i></p> <p>Abraham's Seed (Matthew 1:1) <i>Jesus was the fulfillment of the Abrahamic Covenant but due to their unbelief the realization of the land being theirs to won never came about.</i></p>	<p>Presentation (Behold, thy King cometh unto you) Matthew 21:5 <i>Jesus rode into Jerusalem during his last week on earth triumphant only to later be rejected.</i></p> <p>_____ (Matthew 19:1) <i>Jesus completed his ministry in Judea as a final attempt to convince the people that the Christ had come.</i></p> <p>Disciples (Matthew 10:2; 13:10) <i>Jesus began to focus more upon his disciples and their training in preparation of his departure and less upon the multitudes that he knew would reject him.</i></p> <p>Come to _____ (Matthew 16:21; 17:12) <i>A part of this preparation of his disciples was to fore warn them that he was to suffer. This was not accepted well by his disciples as proven by Peter's rebuke for their expectations were not far from those of the multitudes at the time.</i></p> <p>Parables (Matthew 13:10-13) <i>As the tenor of the multitudes towards Jesus began to turn Jesus spoke to them by parables; "because seeing they see not; and hearing they hear not".</i></p> <p>Son (Matthew 21:9,15; 22:41-46) <i>Jesus Christ was the son of David and was the rightful heir to the Throne but rejected by the Jews who cried out, "We have no king but Caesar.</i></p>

Mark

Meaning of Mark's name is "a defense" or "strength" or "_____".

Act 12:12 And when he had considered *the thing*, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together praying.

Mark or Marcus was his _____ surname while John (the grace of God) was his Jewish name.

Theme of Mark's Gospel is Jesus Christ the _____ of Jehovah or the Willing Servant of Jehovah

Mar 10:45 *For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.*

Zec 3:8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.

The point about Mark is this: there is nothing in the New Testament that _____ sets you aside for ministry.

Mark's Gospel was written to the Roman mindset that would understand being under authority as well as being _____, if there was something to be done then let's get it done.

The word _____ is mentioned 73 times in Mark's Gospel and the key words of immediately and straightway are mentioned collectively 36 times.

The Servant of Jehovah in Mark's Gospel is portrayed as man who is _____ in authority while being under authority and getting things done.

Mark: two works

Chapters 1-10 Work of _____	Chapters 11-16 Work of Sacrifice
Proclamation in Galilee Mark 1:28 _____ from the multitudes Mark 3:7-8 Work in Life Through _____ to Others By Preaching and _____ Faithful to the task Servant: _____ Mark 10:45	_____ in Judea Mark 14:10-15:21 Multitudes cried for his _____ Mark 15:22-39 Work in death Ransom for many By Prophecies and Controversies _____ unto death Servant: _____ Mark 16:19

Luke

Meaning of Luke's name is " _____ " or "light of the sun".

The theme of Luke's Gospel is that of the _____ Man.

Christ is seen as The _____ of Man

Luk 19:10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

The title Son of man is used in reference to Jesus Christ _____ times in Luke's Gospel.

The key verse of Luke's Gospel is 5:24

Luk 5:24 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

Luke was a Gentile, a Greek and a doctor by profession. He was highly educated and articulate with the Greek language and would appeal to the _____ of his day as one could see by his preludes in both the Gospel and the Book of Acts.

His audience would be the _____ Greek speaking peoples who admire and venerate the virtues of humanity.

Luke: Four Periods

Chapters 1-3	Chapters 4-8	Chapters 9-18	Chapters 19-24
<i>Story of the births of John and Jesus</i>	<i>Identification At his baptism</i>	<i>Teaching and training his disciples</i>	<i>Culmination His final days</i>
<i>Nazareth Years of obscurity</i>	<i>His field</i>	<i>Judea His Field</i>	<i>Jerusalem His final field</i>
<i>Angels Proclamation to the shepherds</i>	<i>Miracles His proofs</i>	<i>His reproofs</i>	<i>His final appeal</i>
<i>Years Period of maturing into adulthood</i>	<i>1 ½ years His duration</i>	<i>6 Months The closing of his ministry</i>	<i>8 days then 40+ days</i>
<i>Mighty _____</i>	<i>Mighty _____</i>	<i>Mighty _____</i>	<i>Mighty _____</i>
<i>Consecration Began his mission at 31 years of age</i>	<i>Commencement The beginnings of his ministry</i>	<i>Compassionate The heart of his ministry</i>	<i>The true purpose of his ministry Luke 19:10</i>
<i>The focus is about His _____</i>	<i>The focus is about His _____</i>	<i>The focus is about His _____</i>	<i>The focus is about His _____</i>

John

John's name means " _____ is a gracious giver" or "the Lord of Grace"

The theme of John's Gospel is the _____ of Jesus Christ as the Son of God.

John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Christ is seen as the _____ of God in John's Gospel.

John 1:33 And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. 34 And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.

The key word in John's Gospel is the word _____ mentioned 101 times.

In the other three Gospels they portray Jesus _____ to the Father while in John's Gospel he portrays Jesus _____ to the Father as if they were equal.

John 20:30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: 31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

John: Three Witnesses

Chapters 1-12 Of Words and _____	Chapters 13-17 To Witnesses	Chapters 18-21 To the _____
<p>To the Jews Result: _____ of His message Denial of His works Rejection of his _____ Ministry</p> <p>Showed Himself as: Life Eternal _____ with the Father Source of Life He was the Word in _____</p>	<p>To his _____ Result; Many _____ a few stayed Those that stayed one _____ Those remaining _____ Ministry</p> <p>Showed Himself as: Light _____ The True Vine _____ of Light He was the Word in _____</p>	<p>By Christ Result: Denied _____ Crucified _____ Ministry</p> <p>Showed Himself: Love _____ Coming Again He was the Word in _____</p>

B. The Arrival of the King

Isa 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Gen 49:10 The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh¹ come; and unto him *shall* the gathering of the people *be*.

We learn from this prophecy that this Promised One would be from the tribe of _____.

Num 24:17 I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.

¹ He's whose it is, that which belongs to Him.

Scripture after scripture foretells of this coming Ruler who would arise in Israel and be _____ over his enemies as well as the enemies of his people.

It was this prevailing idea of a _____ that would establish a vast Jewish kingdom and rule over the Gentile nations that became the dominating theme in the minds of the Jewish people regarding the Messiah at the time of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem.

Isa 53:2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, *there is* no beauty that we should desire him. 3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

What the people were looking for was a _____ like a David who would defeat the Goliath of Rome and that would establish a kingdom like Solomon's.

John 18:36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

Harmony of the Gospels for this Section: Arrival of the King
Approximately 13 ½ years

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Preface to Luke's Gospel			1:1-4	
Genealogy of Matthew's Gospel	1:1-17		1:5-25	
An angel appears to Zacharias in Jerusalem Temple			1:26-38	
An angel appears to Mary in Nazareth			1:39-56	
Mary visits her cousin Elisabeth in the hill country			1:57-80	
Birth of John the Baptist in home of Zacharias & Elisabeth				
An angel appears to Joseph in Nazareth about Mary's baby	1:18-25			
The birth of Jesus			2:1-7	
An angel appears to shepherds near Bethlehem			2:8-20	
The circumcision of Jesus and presentation in the Temple			2:21-38	
The Magi visits the Christ child	2:1-12			
Joseph's family warned and flees to Egypt, Herod's cruelty,				
Family returns to Nazareth	2:13-23			
Jesus goes to Passover and found in the Temple age 12			2:41-52	
Genealogy of Luke's Gospel			3:23-38	

A. The Arrival of the King

[1]. The Two Genealogies of Jesus the Christ: His Ancestry.

Deu 7:3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. 4 For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

After the Babylonian exile and their return to Jerusalem the Jews had to reorganize and re-establish itself amid this “postexilic _____ and chaos”.

To distinguish themselves from the ethnicity of foreigners that they were surrounded by, that would have an adverse impact upon tribal inheritances in the Promised Land as established in the times of Joshua, the Jews began to maintain meticulous records to preserve purity of the race and record the blood lines of tribal families to avoid defilement from the foreigners in the land and preserve the inheritances of the tribes.²

Genealogies were especially important in matters of transmission of family inheritance of the land, marriage with in the tribes, _____ the bloodline of the Levitical priesthood and most certainly the _____ of the rightful heir from the tribe of Judah to the throne of David.

Matthews Genealogy

A. The Covenants

“The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham”. Matt. 1:1

Keeping in mind the theme of the Gospel of Matthew, the King and the Kingdom of Heaven and to whom it is written, the believing Jews who _____ Jesus as the Christ, the genealogy of Matthew immediately addresses the _____ of the Old Testament in relation to the descendants of Abraham.

1st. _____ found in Genesis 17:6-7

2nd. _____ found in 2Samuel 7:16-17

² Pieter M. Ventner, Old Testament Studies, Pretoria University, South Africa: The Dissolving of the Marriages in Ezra and Nehemiah

It is interesting to note that this _____ of "the son of Abraham" is never used again of Jesus in the Bible due to the fact that the restoration of the land to Israel and all of its Covenant blessings is _____ upon their acceptance of him as their Savior/King.

The 3 Divisions of 14 generations

In the Hebrew David would be, D=4, V=6, D=4, thus the letters in David's name would equal out to fourteen and so by grouping the names in the manner as he did Matthew would further _____ the truth that Jesus was a descendant of David.

The number fourteen (14) is a multiple of 2 X 7. The number 2 refers to the _____ (Romans 5:12-19; 1Cor. 15:45-47, passages that teach about the two Adams, the first earthly the second from heaven).

The number seven (7) refers to _____: Psa. 19:7-9, the seven qualities of God's word, Gen. 12:1-3, Abraham's sevenfold blessing, Eph. 6:13-18, the Christians spiritual armor, Eph. 4:3-6, the seven unities in the Spirit.

The number 14 being a double number of 7 indicates a _____ of spiritual perfection.

This perfection would be seen in Jesus Christ as the _____ man (The Theme of Luke's Gospel) as well as the Son of God (The Theme of John's Gospel).

3 is the number of divine _____, e.g., 1 John 5:7, the Godhead, Father, Son, and Spirit.

$14 + 14 + 14 = 42$ which is a multiple of 6 X 7. We have the number 6 for the number of _____ and 7 the number of spiritual perfection. So in Jesus Christ we have both the human and divine nature in one _____ individual.

The Three Divisions of Matthews Genealogy of Jesus

Matt. 1:2-6 Abraham to David	Matt. 1:7-11 Solomon to Jechonias	Matt. 1:12-16 Jechonias to Jesus
Genealogy begins with Abraham, the recipient of the unconditional grant of the land. Gen. 15	Begins with Solomon who built the Temple. 2Chro. 3	Begins with the captivity and the Promise of the Messiah. Dan. 9
Ends with David, the recipient of the unconditional promise of an heir to his throne and an everlasting kingdom. 2 Sam. 7	Ends with the captivity and the destruction of the Temple. 2Chro. 36	Ends with the birth of the promised Messiah. Matt. 1 & 2
Ends with the happy condition of the people with David as king on his throne.	Ends with the destruction of the Temple and the unhappy condition of the people in captivity.	Ends in the glad tidings of the promised son of David's birth, Jesus, in the city of David.
Contains 14 names in the list	Contains 14 names in the list	Contains 13 names in the list. Jechonias is repeated. 13 is the number of sin and rebellion marking Jesus as the Savior who was made sin for us and has reconciled man to God. 2Cor. 5:19-21
Being the son of Abraham connects Jesus to the promised land.	Being the son of David connects him to the throne.	The restoration of the land to Israel is dependent upon their acceptance of him as Savior/King.
Corresponding to the period of Israel's history: From Abraham to David, the Theocracy	Corresponding to the period of Israel's history: From David to Exile, the Monarchy	Corresponding to the period of Israel's history: From the Exile to Jesus the Hierarchy. When Israel was ruled by a corrupt body of the religious clergy.

Matthew works his genealogy through the line of _____, the husband of Mary.

Mat 1:24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: 25 And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

Matthew was careful to record the _____ of the Christ in that He was not the product of man but was indeed the only begotten Son of God.

Isa 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

This is the purpose of Matthew's Gospel, to highlight the _____ of Jesus Christ to these Jewish believers through his genealogy, through the Kingdom of heaven spoken by Jesus and the _____ of Old Testament references found in Matthew's Gospel mostly from Deuteronomy, the Psalms and Isaiah.

Luke's Genealogy

Objections Made by Critics

Some claim this is not _____ genealogy.

There are some, even in _____, that reject the virgin birth of Jesus Christ.

"It is hard to reconcile her virgin conception of Jesus with being a descendant of David since the genealogies in Matthew and Luke go through Joseph, who (according to the virgin conception theory) was not really Jesus' father. Meaning, Jesus ends up with no genealogy at all, and since the Jews only accept genealogies through a father, literally he becomes genealogy less; and this has been the number one reason for Jews rejecting Jesus for as long as the first two chapters of Matthew and Luke have been in those gospels (I don't know how long that is)."

Most cultures severely limit the range of people through whom descent is traced by using what is referred to as a _____ principle. This traces descent only through a single line of ancestors, male or female.

One possible explanation is that though this is Mary's genealogy recorded by Luke he is following the custom of _____ where the woman's children are members of her husband's patrilineal line and so we have Jesus – "the son of Joseph, which was the son of Heli".

All one need do is read the _____ of the Gospel according to Luke and one will quickly learn that Jesus was solely the son of Mary and was not fathered by Joseph and so the reason for Luke's insertion "as was supposed" in Luke 3:23.

Luke, being a Gentile convert as well as a disciple of the Apostle Paul would have knowledge of Paul's teaching on the _____ and would make this insertion to clarify the point of Christ's miraculous birth to his gentile audience.

1Co 15:45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. 46 Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. 47 The first man is of the earth, earthly; the second man is the Lord from heaven.

The issue of inheritance passed through the mother.

The Old Testament precedent of Zelophehad's daughter's case in Numbers chapter 27 a mother could _____ to her son.

Therefore according to the Law of _____ based upon Numbers 27 the rights of inheritance can be passed on from mother to son as with Mary to Jesus through Nathan a son of David.

One very important point concerning this genealogy through Mary is that there is an issue with the lineage concerning Joseph, Mary's husband. Luke is presenting Mary's genealogy and is tracing the _____.

In Joseph's lineage there is an issue with an _____ of his by the name of Coniah or Jechonias. Jer. 22:24-30

Jeremiah 22 was both a call to _____ as well as a _____ of the house of the king of Judah for its sins.

Jer 22:28 *Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol? is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?* 29 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD. 30 Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man that shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

The enemy has _____ attempted to corrupt the seed of the woman as prophesied in Genesis 3 knowing that if this seed is permitted to come to pass it will be to his _____.

The Lord in his wisdom has _____ Satan's attempt at corrupting and nullifying the Davidic lineage through Mary who "hast found favor with God" (Luke 1:30).

Luk 1:31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Women in the Line of Christ

The Woman	The Significance
Tamar	The _____ and Awareness of Sin
Rahab	A _____ with God by Faith
Ruth	Relationship with God by _____
Bathsheba	Remembrance of sin and its _____

Mary as a Type of Israel

The Type	Mary	Israel
1. _____ of a Great King	Luke 2	Revelations 12
2. _____ to be His disciple	John 2:3-4; Matt 12:46	Luke 19:44
3. _____ upon Him whom they pierced	John 19:25	Revelations 1:7; Zechariah 12:10
4. _____ on Him and became a Disciple	Acts 1:4	Romans 11:26

Having both parents as descendants of David, and of the tribe of Judah, Jesus had every right to claim the throne of David, not only _____ but _____ as well.

Of all that Jesus' enemies accused him of and attempted to slander him about before the people; if there were any question concerning his claims as being David's son and so rightful heir to the throne, they could have presented to the people this lack of _____ as proof.

When Joseph and Mary went to the Temple in Luke 2:22,

Luk 2:22 And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present *him* to the Lord;

Besides the offering for Mary prescribed by the Law (Lev 12:2-6) they would also have their son's name placed on the _____ kept there by the priests in the Temple.

The Genealogies of Matthew and Luke

Matthew's Gospel	Luke's Gospel
Of _____ _____ and Legal Through _____ (Was bypassed due to sin issue of Coniah) Right to _____ Of _____ Lineage	Of _____ Physical and _____ Through Nathan (Was passed through with no sin issue) Right to _____ Of _____ Lineage

The Birth of Christ

"An outstanding fact isolating Christ from all others is that He is the one Man in the history of the world of whom explicit details of His birth, life, death, and resurrection were given centuries beforehand. The challenge of this pure miracle is that it has happened to only one Man in the entire history of the world. He is the only Person whose life and ministry were pre-written in the most remarkable manner before He came into the world."³

1Pe 1:18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; 19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: 20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

Chart of Prophetic Passages of the Birth of Christ

Prophesy	O.T. Passage	N.T. fulfillment	Years between the two
Virgin Birth	Isa 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.	Mat 1:22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, 23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.	742 B.C. – 4 B.C. Approx. 738 yrs
He would take the throne of David	Isa 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of <i>his</i> government and peace <i>there shall be</i> no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.	Luk 1:31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:	740 B.C. – 7 B.C. approx. 733 yrs
His throne would be eternal	Dan 7:13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion <i>is</i> an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom <i>that</i> which shall not be destroyed.	Luk 1:32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.	537 B.C. to 7 B.C. approx. 530 yrs
His name would be Emanuel	Isa 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.	Mat 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.	742 B.C. to 4 B.C. approx. 738 yrs

³ "All the Messianic Prophecies of the Bible" Herbert Lockyer

Jesus would have a forerunner	Mal 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the LORD, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.	Luk 1:76 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;	397 B.C. to 7 B.C. approx. 390 yrs
Jesus would be born in Bethlehem	Mic 5:2 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, <i>though</i> thou be little among the thousands of Judah, <i>yet</i> out of thee shall he come forth unto me <i>that is</i> to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth <i>have been</i> from of old, from everlasting.	Mat 2:1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, 2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. 3 When Herod the king had heard <i>these things</i> , he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. 5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, 6 And thou Bethlehem, <i>in</i> the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.	710 B.C. to 4 B.C. approx. 706 yrs
Jesus would be worshipped by wise men bringing gifts	Isa 60:3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Isa 60:6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the LORD. Isa 60:9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.	Mat 2:11 And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.	758 B.C. to 4 B.C. approx. 754 yrs
Jesus would flee to Egypt	Hos 11:1 When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.	Mat 2:15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.	740 B.C. to 4 B.C. Approx. 736 yrs
The place of Jesus' birth would suffer a great tragedy	Jer 31:15 Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, <i>and</i> bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not.	Mat 2:17 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, 18 In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping <i>for</i> her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.	606 B.C. to 4 B.C. approx. 602 yrs
Jesus would	Spoken by the prophets	Mat 2:23 And he came and dwelt in a city	?

be called a Nazarene	See note below ⁴	called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.	
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The Events Preceding the Birth: Luke 1:5-38

There were two announcements made that broke the four hundred years of silence from heaven to earth.

1. The announcement of the _____: Luke 1:5-25

Mark 1:2 As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

God asks of his servants to _____ His word and obey and not comprehend His word first then _____ if they will obey

A sign of _____ in one's faith is the need for signs to believe God's word.

The first word from heaven after 400 years of silence was to inform Zacharias and Elisabeth that they would have a son who would be the messenger of the king: _____.

2. The announcement made to _____: Luke 1:26-38

The difference between Mary's question and Zacharias' question is that Zacharias had _____ to have assurance in what God had promised, in that Abraham was an aged man who had a son, while with Mary, there is no biblical precedence of a _____ giving birth with our being with a man.

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NOTE: **The Term Nazarene** :Though none of the prophets specifically called him a "Nazarene" in their writings yet in their prophecies they did express what he would be in his earthly manifestation as a "Nazarene". There are two viable applications to be considered. [1] The designation *Nazarene* is analogous to *Nazarite*. The Nazarite vow involved complete dedication to God of which Jesus fulfilled the spirit of such a vow flawlessly. [2]. The word *Nazarene* is derived from the word *Natzri* meaning "pain". The prophets foretold of One who would come and suffer. This suffering One was understood by the prophets and the Rabbis as a general description of the Messiah.(Isa 53:2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. 3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. 4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. As an example). So the title of *Nazarene* is a prophetic utterance found through out the O.T. to describe the Messiah's character and sufferings

The essential item that Mary is to be an example of and commended for is that Mary was a young woman of integrity and great faith and _____ her chosen role in God's plan of redemption as a _____ to give birth to the Savior.

Three Divine Annunciations

The Son of God Luke 1:8-13	The Son of David Luke 1:28-38	The Savior Matthew 1:21-23
From _____ word Malachi 4:5 To _____ By Gabriel	From _____ word 1Chron 17:11-14 To _____ By _____	From _____ word Isaiah 7:14 To _____ By the _____ of the Lord

Mary visits her cousin Elisabeth: Luke 1:39-45

Mary at no time in her song of praise gives any indication that God honored her due to her _____.

After the birth of Jesus Mary then would have performed ceremonial _____ as prescribed in Leviticus 12.

In Leviticus 12:2-7 clearly outlines what Mary as well as countless other Jewish mother's were commanded to do as a "_____".

Lev 12:6 And when the days of her purifying (40 total days) are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring a lamb of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a sin offering, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:

"Mary was recognized by God as special enough to bear his only Son, the promised Messiah, the seed of the woman that would bruise the serpents head. But we must remember that the angels declaration of Mary was "blessed art thou *among* women" and not *above* women."

Joseph's Dilemma: Matthew 1:18-25

Joseph had two choices before him.

(1) Give Mary his espoused wife a formal writing of _____.

(2) Have Mary put to death by being _____ (Deut. 22:13-21).

The Virgin Birth

The virgin birth of Christ goes _____ to all conventional wisdom or explanation: The Seed of the Woman

- a. If Christ were conceived of a man then he would have the same fallen Adamic sin nature as the rest of humanity. He would have inherited the same _____ that all the sons of Adam have and therefore he would fall short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23; 5:12).
- b. If Christ were conceived of man he could not be the spotless Lamb of God required to _____ for the sins of the world for his blood would be tainted with the sinful blood of fallen Adam.

Lev 17:11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it *is* the blood *that maketh* an atonement for the soul.

The Bible is clear in its teachings that it is not the sin of _____ that affects the human race but the sin of _____ who is the head of the Human Race.

Rom 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

1Co 15:22 For as in Adam all die,

Since the life is in the blood, and according to the Bible, the wages of sin is death, the blood of Adam became _____ by sin and it is this corrupted blood that we have _____ from Adam.

Act 17:26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth,

All of mankind has this _____ Adamic blood coursing through its veins and it was the sin of Adam that brought the contagion of sin and death to the race of men.

Only Jesus can rightly be called the seed of the Woman, because he was born of a woman and did not have _____ of Adam's tainted blood coursing through his veins.

"The fetal and maternal blood currents do not intermingle, being separated by the delicate walls of the placenta. The interchange of nutrients supplied to the fetus and the passing of the waste products produced by the fetus are exchanged between mother and baby by the process of osmosis."⁵

At no point during the _____ does the blood of the mother pass to the baby nor the blood of the baby pass to the mother. There is never any _____ of the mother's blood with the baby within her womb.

It is the male _____ in the conception, the seed of the man, that is source of the blood for the fetus. With out the male sperm the woman could not produce that vital life giving fluid to the fetus.

The blood that coursed through the veins of Jesus Christ was the sinless blood of _____.
Acts 20:28

⁵ Nurse's Handbook of Obstetrics, Louise Zabriske, R.N.

Unique Qualities of the Blood of Jesus

Statement of Uniqueness	Scriptural Support
His Blood is _____ Blood as opposed to guilty blood.	Mat 27:4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What <i>is that</i> to us? see thou to that.
His Blood is precious and _____ Blood opposed to corruptible blood.	1Pe 1:19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:
His Blood is _____ Blood as opposed to human blood.	Act 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.
His Blood is eternally _____ redeeming Blood opposed to the temporally atoning blood of animals.	Heb 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption <i>for us</i> .

Joseph's Character

Joseph _____ true character of a godly man. Joseph was not hasty in his decision when he first learned about Mary's pregnancy. He patiently thought through the matter desiring to shield Mary from as much _____ as possible.

What ever this young couple faced together in their circumstances Joseph showed admirable _____ and integrity in maintaining the purity of his wife and the virgin birth of the holy one she carried in her womb by abstaining from having conjugal relations with his young bride until after Jesus was born. Matt. 2:24-25

Mary's Character

Both of these young people were willing to be obedient to God's will for their lives _____ of how outlandish the truth may appear to others about the baby Mary was privileged to carry. Mary was willing to sacrifice her _____ in submission to God's perfect plan of redemption.

The Birth of Jesus: Luke 2:1-18

The shepherds

It was from the lips of these shepherds that the inhabitants of Bethlehem and the surrounding area first learned of the "babe lying in a manger" who is the _____. These men became the first _____ of the good news of Jesus Christ.

Biblical Uses of Shepherds

Old Testament	New Testament
Abel was a shepherd killed by his wicked brother Gen. 4:8 David was a shepherd turned king God the Father is seen as a Shepherd Psa. 23 God compares the leaders of the nation as shepherds, either good or bad. Jer. 23:4;50:6;2Chr. 18:16 The Anti-Christ is called the idol shepherd Zech. 11:17 Idol: a false god	Jesus is the good shepherd killed by his brethren John 1:11 Jesus is a shepherd King 1 Peter 5:4 Jesus is the good shepherd John 10:11-16 New Testament Church leaders are called shepherds/pastors Acts 20:28; Eph. 4:11; 1Pet. 5:2 Jesus Christ is the Chief shepherd John 10:14; Heb. 13:20; 1Pet. 2:25; 5:4

The Circumcision and Presentation of Jesus in the Temple: Luke 2:21-38

Simeon and Anna

From Zacharias, to Elisabeth and Mary unto Simeon and Anna we hear the silence of 400 years is now _____ along with the announcement of the angels at the birth of Christ to the shepherds in the fields once again Israel was being spoken to from above.

The Sevenfold Witness of Men

Reviewer	Reaction	Reference
The Shepherds	Praised the Father Praised the _____ Praised the Light	Luke 1:68, 76-79 Luke 2:11,20 Luke 2:31-32
The Wise Men	Praised the _____ Celebrated Happiness	Matthew 2:2,11 Luke 1:41-45
Mary	Celebrated _____ Celebrated Redemption	Luke 1:48,50,54 Luke 2:38

The Magi: Matthew 2:1-12

There must have been something _____ different in what they observed concerning this star that was not natural to the skies but rather _____, a fact they did recognize and therefore it was this that _____ them to take such a long, expensive and arduous trip to Jerusalem.

Like Abraham of old, a fellow native who came from their land, they witnessed some sort of revelation from God in that night sky that _____ them to leave their homeland in search of "the cause or reason" for such a manifestation in the night sky.
Herodian Family.

Herod's Mentioned in the New Testament

Name	Scriptural References
Herod the Great: Born 62 B.C. Made governor by Julius Caesar in 47 B.C. then made king in 40 B.C. by Rome. Sole king of Judaea in 37 B.C. Herod had nine wives. Was a cruel and murderous tyrant. Died in 4 B.C. Jesus Christ was born during his reign.	Matt.2:1-3,7,9,12-19,22; Luke 1:5
Herod Philip 1: The son of the second Mariamne, the first Mariamne being put to death by her husband Herod the great along with her son Aristobulus in 6B.C. Philip married Herodias and Salome was his daughter.	Matt. 14:3; Mrk. 4:14; Luke 3:19
Herod Antipas: The Tetrarch of Galilee. Married the daughter of Aretas, king of Arabia, and later Herodias, the wife of Herod Philip 1. Antipas was the son of Malthace. He beheaded John the Baptist and Jesus appeared before him prior to his crucifixion. He was later banished by Rome in 40 a.d.	Matt. 14:1,3,6,9; Mrk. 4:14, 16-22, 25-27; Luke 3:1-19; 8:3; 9:7,9; 23:7-12,15; Acts 4:27; 13:1.
Herod Archelaus: Son of Malthace. Ethnarch of Judaea, Idumaea, and Samaria in 4 B.C. Was deposed and banished in 6 a.d.	Matt. 2:22
Herod Philip 2: Son of Cleopatra, Tetrarch of Ituraea and Traconitus. Married Salome, the daughter of Philip 1 and Herodias. Died 34 a.d.	Luke 3:1
Salome: Daughter of Herod Philip 1 and Herodias. She assisted her mother in exacting revenge on John the Baptist by dancing before Herod Antipas who upon her request was compelled to behead John the Baptist.	Matt. 14:6; Mrk. 6:22
Herod Agrippa 1: Son of Aristobulus, grandson of Herod the Great by the Mariamne 1. Succeeded Philip 2 in 37 a.d. and Herod Antipas in 40 a.d. In 41 a.d. Judaea and Samaria were added. He is responsible for the death of the Apostle James and later was eaten by worms in 44 a.d.	Acts 12
Herodias: The daughter of Aristobulus and the first Mariamne. Married Philip 1 then left him for Herod Antipas. Salomne was her daughter and she was responsible for the beheading of John the Baptist.	Matt. 14:3,6; Mrk. 6:17,19,22
Herod Agrippa 2: Son of Agrippa 1 48-53 a.d. Succeeded Philip 2 in 53-70 a.d. Was the last Herodian prince. He heard Paul's defence. After the fall of Jerusalem in 70 a.d. he retired to Rome and died in 100 a.d.	Acts 25:13,23; 26:1
Bernice: Daughter of Herod Agrippa 1and sister of Agrippa 2. She married Herod, king of Chalcis, the son of Aristobulus and the first Mariamne.	Acts 25:13,23; 26:30
Drusilla: Daughter of Herod Agrippa 1, sister of Agrppa 2 and of Bernice. Married Felix, governor of Judaea, before whom Paul made his defence.	Acts 24:24

The founder of the _____ was one Herod the Great of Idumaea. Idumaea was a region in southern Palestine populated by _____. The Edomites were the descendants of Esau who was the paternal twin of Jacob.

The descendants of Edom are under God's _____ for their betrayal and treatment of Israel.

Mal 1:3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness. 4 Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.

The star is said by Matthew that it “went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was”. This action by the “star” clearly indicates that this was no mere natural phenomena, such as an alignment of planets, or a comet, but indeed was of _____⁶

Jesus first recorded Passover Luke 2:41-52.

The Doctors

Responsibilities of the Doctors and Scribes of the Law.

1. To make _____ copies of the Law.
2. To carefully guard the text of scripture from error of _____ while they copied the Law.
3. To read the Law aloud on special occasions and _____ the meaning of the words which might be misunderstood.
4. They were to make _____ or serve as judges based upon the Law.

But in time they began to encroach upon the Law.

1. To define how the laws were to be obeyed by _____ to the law the regulations for their minor details of life, which were omitted.
2. They _____ words in scripture, which were considered too strong or offensive.
3. To add rules to the law itself to keep people from _____ the Law.

“Mishnah is the oral half of the whole Torah revealed by God to Moses, our rabbi, at Sinai. Mishnah is part of the Torah. In fact, Judaism is based on two Torahs, Judaism is the religion of Torah, and Torah is in two parts, the written, and the oral. Only when the two are put together do we have the complete message that God gives to Israel, the Jewish people”

The people were told that only the _____ and _____ could understand the Law and teach it.

Christ and the Scribes

The Scribes	The Savior
The scribes were found in _____	The Savior was found in cities, _____ and villages
Taught other aspiring _____ to be like the scribes	The Savior taught the _____ to follow him
Repeated _____	Revealed _____
Spoke of a kingdom _____	Proclaimed the kingdom was _____

⁶ Job 38:7 refer to the angelic host as stars. This star was more than likely an angel sent to guide these men. Cf. Num.24:17 where the Messiah is associated with a Star.

Jesus reveals in his answering Mary two _____ that he had about himself and served as a testimony to all who had heard him that day.

- a. _____: The clear consciousness of a unique relationship to His Father. It is this uniqueness of being the Son of God that the Jewish leadership would later find grounds to condemn Him.
- b. _____: A clear sense of His primary obligations to the reason His Father sent Him to earth. His mission was of primary importance, even more so than his human relationships. This would become more evident later when he was involved in his public ministry.

Luk 2:49 And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?

The Eight "Musts" in Jesus Life

What Jesus Must Do	Biblical Text
Be about His _____ business	Luke 2:49
Go through _____	John 4:4
_____ the kingdom of God in other cities	Luke 4:43
_____ in Jerusalem	Matthew 16:21; Mark 8:31
Do God's _____ while it is still day	John 9:4
_____ until His hour is come	Luke 13:33
_____ in the house of Zacchaeus	Luke 19:5
_____ again from the dead	John 20:9

Heb 5:8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;
_____ characterized the life of Jesus Christ.

The obedience of Christ was _____ to His person. John 4:34; 5:36; 6:38; 17:4.

Joh 4:34 Jesus saith unto them, *My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.*

Joh 5:36 *But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.*

Joh 6:38 *For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.*

Joh 17:4 *I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.*

“The absolute yieldedness of the Son to do the Father’s will is the supreme example of a normal attitude of a child of God toward his Father and one that should be emulated by all sons of God in being yielded to the Spirit of Christ which indwells them.”

Three things about the obedience of the Son to the Father’s will.

[1]. Christ was willing _____ where the Father chose.

[2]. Christ was willing _____ whatever the Father chose.

[3]. Christ was willing _____ whatever the Father chose.

Wisdom: Jesus grew _____

Stature: This refers to _____

Growth in favor:

- a. With God – Twice we learn of the heavenly Father’s _____ of his Son in the Gospels. Matt. 3:17; 17:5.

As a man Jesus learned obedience and submission to the authority in his life, especially the primary authority of his heavenly Father. He pleased God not only in his _____ but also in the _____ of his life through the choices and practical decisions that he made during his lifetime.

- b. With men – This addresses how Jesus carried himself _____.

If Jesus was _____ as a man he was such even as a child. If Jesus was _____ as a man he was so as a young man. The _____ of Jesus would have made him a good son, a good friend, a good craftsman at his trade and a good neighbor.

“The _____ of Jesus was as perfect as His deity was _____.”⁷

⁷ The Words and Works of Jesus Christ, J. Dwight Pentecost, pg. 78.