


Humble Man for
Heaven's Son!

Matthew 1:18-25




The mystery of the humanity of
Christ, that He sunk Himself into
our flesh, is beyond all human
understanding.

Martin Luther



Do you get it?

In December 1903, after many attempts, the Wright brothers were successful in getting their "flying machine" off the ground. Thrilled, they telegraphed this message to their sister Katherine: "We have actually flown 120 feet. Will be home for Christmas." Katherine hurried to the editor of the local newspaper and showed him the message. He glanced at it and said, "*How nice. The boys will be home for Christmas.*"



18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit.



19 And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly.





Tragedy 18-19

- Discovery 18 – not what I expected
- Dreams 19 – not what I wanted
- Decisions 19 – not my first choice




20 But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.




21 She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."



22 Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet:




23 "BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD AND SHALL BEAR A SON, AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME IMMANUEL," which translated means, "GOD WITH US."




Task 20-23


- Divine 20 – of the Lord!
- Defined 21 – purpose in the name
- Designed 22,23 – effect of prophecy



24 And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took Mary as his wife,



25 but kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name Jesus.



Testimony 24-25

- Unconditional Compliance 24
 - “did as the angel commanded”
- Unwavering Commitment
 - set aside personal desires
- Unfailing Character
 - named him Jesus by faith

