

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 2:1-7

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WHEN JESUS WAS BORN

THE DEITY AND DIVINITY OF THE SON OF GOD

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The Message of the Bible is a Message of Hope

Luke 2:1-7

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WHEN JESUS WAS BORN

I.) *The Times in Which Jesus Christ was Born* v.1-3

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Before We Dive Into This, I Want You to Think for a Moment.

Almighty God is about to Go to Work to Bring About His Plans.
He will Move an Empire, He will Govern Over Rulers and Leaders,

Paupers and Peasants - to Bring About His Plan.

I Want You To Understand That His Plans are Not Yet Complete,
because...

As Long as You and I are Here - He is Bringing About His Plan
Because His Plans Include Us !

He is Bringing About a Plan that Involves Our Lives in His Will...

He is bringing together, a Plan

(Those of You Who are Hungry for God's Will To Be Done in Your Life, - - Listen)

The More You're Dedicated, Presenting Yourself to God, The More You Will Experience; The Hand of
God at Work / The Voice of God Speaking / The Plan of God Coming to Pass

Isaiah 55:10-11

"For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater,
:11 So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, **But it shall accomplish** what I please, And **it shall prosper** *in the thing* for which I sent it.

Isaiah 46:10

Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times *things* that are not yet done, Saying,
'My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure,'

Happy is the Man or Woman That Can See Their Future in The Lord!

happy is the man or woman that believes that God has a place of ministry for them.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are His **workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. (and the "thems" that Paul is speaking of are the orchestrated plans, the divine appointments)

workmanship poi+hma poiema,

a creative product of God, a work of tapestry, fine work of fabric, a song or poem

CHECK THE TAG = "Made by God"

But Jack;
How Can I See His Plan for Me?
Where Do I Look for It?
When Will His Plan Begin?

IT'S WAITING FOR YOU
IN THE BIBLE, GOD'S WORD & IN THE WORLD AROUND YOU
THE PLAN HAS ALREADY BEGAN - SINCE YOUR INCEPTION

The Time in Which Jesus was Born

a.) *It was spiritually liberal*

v.1-2

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In Those Days
the days of when the roman republic became the roman empire

"When The Temple of Janus had Been Closed"

whenever there was a land to conquer, the temple of Janus was opened and the priests of Janus were consulted and the god Janus was prayed to.

Romanism had become the world empire

"In Those Days"

when one man-god ruled the world, Jesus came from heaven to earth, the God-man

Daniel 7:7

After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

a decree went out from **Caesar Augustus**
that all **the world** should be registered.

Wow - Look Who's in Control Here and Look Who the Star is?
was it really Caesar Augustus and His Empire?
or is it an insignificant couple being led by God?

CAIUS OCTAVIUS or CAESAR AUGUSTUS
was the nephew of Julius Caesar

IT IS THIS, CAESAR AUGUSTUS
that became the roman empire's first "emperor".
which later gave birth to the Cult of Emperor Worship.

From This Time Onward, the Emperors Would also be Called
the high priest of heaven - a god-man!

The Time in Which Jesus was Born

b.) It was politically oppressive

v.3

:3 So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city.

God had a plan and it was going to take place. The affairs of men in this world will eventually be understood, that God was at work for His perfect purpose !

The Darkness Only Intensifies the Light (When It Shines)

Look at The Night Sky - What Do You See?

Philippians 3:20

For our citizenship (conversation, politics, identity) is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

God Needed to Move Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem,
So He Uses Political Powers to do It...

God is Doing It Now, Even Today

The Time in Which Jesus was Born

c.) It was emotionally demanding

v.3

:3 So *all went* to be registered, *everyone to his own city*.

they were under the tyranny of Rome,
at what looked like power of foreign god's and a one world ruler

WHEN JESUS WAS BORN

II.) The Place in Which Jesus Christ was Born

v.4-5

:4 Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called **Bethlehem**, because he was of the house and lineage of David, 5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child.

The Place in Which Jesus was Born

a.) **Born into this world**

v.4

:4 Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called **Bethlehem**, because he was of the house and lineage of David...

Have You Ever Seen an Orchestra, - Orchestrated?

tap, tap, tap....

and "up from Galilee", and "out of the city of Nazareth", and "into Judea", and "to the city of David"...

Micah 5:2

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, *Though* you are little among the thousands of Judah, *Yet* out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth *are* from of old, From everlasting."

O' LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Matthew 2:1-6

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, :2 saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him." :3 When Herod the king heard *this*, 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 inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. :5 So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: :6 *"But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel."*

Matthew 2:11

And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Psalm 90:2

Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You *are* God.

But Jack, What Does All This Mean for Me, Personally?

The Place in Which Jesus was Born

b.) **Born in the land of Israel**

Everyday the Lord is Zooming In and Focusing.

c.) *Born of the city of Bethlehem*

we don't need a ufo sighting
we don't need a miracle manifestation

it's what we want to hear, because it's what we want to be true

WHEN JESUS WAS BORN

III.) *The Manner in Which Jesus Christ was Born* v.6-7

:6 And so it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. :7 And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Verse 6

:6 And so it was, that **while they were there**,
the days were completed for her to be delivered.

See and Hear the Magnitude of God's Work!

Human Logic would have said,
"stay in Nazareth and Have This Child Then See The World"

It Looked Normal... but,
There was The Magnitude of God's Work, Working Regardless if
Anyone saw it or Not!

Verse 7

And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in **the inn**.

Make No Mistake About It.
this is a gloriously and yet tragic moment.

BECAUSE VERSE 6 IS TRUE SOMETHING HAD TO HAPPEN, WHAT
WOULD IT BE?

:6 And so it was, that **while** they were there,
the days were **completed** for her to be delivered.

timing, timing, timing

Galatians 4:3-5

Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. :4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, :5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

Verse 7

And **she** brought forth her firstborn Son, and (**she**) wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and (**she**) laid Him in a manger,

The Manner in Which Jesus was Born

a.) It was on God's terms

v.7

And she brought forth her firstborn Son...

HERE IS THE DOCTRINE OF THE INCARNATION

Incarnation,
The Invisible God, Becoming Visible Man

grk:
her son who was born first!

the Incarnation

Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us **a Son is given**; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

the Incarnation

John 1:14

And **the Word became 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.

the Incarnation

1 John 1:1

That which was from the beginning, which we **have heard**, which we **have seen with our eyes**, which we **have looked upon**, and our **hands have handled**, concerning the Word of life—

the Incarnation

Hebrews 1:1-9

God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, **:2** has in these last days spoken to us by *His Son*, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; **:3** who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, **:4** having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. **:5** For to which of the angels did He ever say: *“You are My Son, Today I have begotten You”*? And again: *“I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son”*? **:6** But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: *“Let all the angels of God worship Him.”* **:7** And of the angels He says: *“Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire.”* **:8** But to the Son He says: *“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom. :9 You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”*

the Incarnation

Hebrews 7:25-26

Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. **:26** For such a High Priest was fitting for us, *who is* holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;

the Incarnation

1 Timothy 3:16

Beyond all question, the mystery of godliness is great: He appeared in a body, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory.

the Incarnation

Galatians 4:4

But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son,
born of a woman (a miracle), born under law,

the Incarnation

Hebrews 4:14-16

Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* confession. **:15** For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as *we are*, yet without sin. **:16** Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

the Incarnation

Philippians 2:6-8

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* death, even the death of the cross.

The Manner in Which Jesus was Born

b.) It was according to God's schedule

v.7

...and she wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger,

Not A Robe, Not a Palace

First Time Parents

With the Perfect Attentiveness of First Time Parents,
Mary and Joseph would have counted ten fingers and ten toes,
they would have confirmed the shape of his head and body parts -

Colossians 1:14-17

in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. **:15** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. **:16** For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. **:17** And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

... because there was no room for them in the inn.

*when a woman needs the tenderness of care and help, Mary is alone
without sisterly care.*

the inn

there are two words for an Inn in the Greek language.

the first is pandochieon, a caravan stop = pretty nice with separate apartments.

the second was a kataluma, a wooden stall built against a building or a hillside. a dwelling.

Joseph & Mary had Neither Option One or Two = They had a Niche in the Rocks
where animals would be packed tightly into for the night.

Jesus was Born Into a Poor and Humble Home.
into a lost, bitter and angry world!

and so the account begins in a provocative way.

By The "Apparent" Rule of Man,
Caesar Augustus was Announced to be; "The Man Who had Become a God"

But In Reality, By The Rule of God,
Jesus Christ had Been Announced to Be God, who had Become a Man.

Listen, I Have a Question to Ask You.

And It is the Most Important Question You Will Ever Be Asked,

Is Jesus Christ, The One and Only Son of God,
Who Became a Man to Save Us from Our Sins and Give Us Eternal Life?

But What Does This Mean for Me, Personally?

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