

At that time the Roman emperor, Augustus, decreed that a census should be taken throughout the Roman Empire.

(This was the first census taken when Quirinius was governor of Syria.)

All returned to their own ancestral towns to register for this census.

And because Joseph was a descendant of King David, he had to go to Bethlehem in Judea, David's ancient home. He traveled there from the village of Nazareth in Galilee.

He took with him Mary, to whom he was engaged, who was now expecting a child.

And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born.

She gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them.

What day, month and year does the Bible say Jesus was born?

According to the Bible, what did Jesus look like?





Isaiah 53 - Suffering Servant

² My servant grew up in the Lord's presence like a tender green shoot, like a root in dry ground. There was nothing beautiful or majestic about his appearance, nothing to attract us to him.

According to the Bible, when did Christians celebrate the first Christmas?

Who initiated the celebration of Christmas? Why did they do so?

Who was present the night of Jesus' Birth, according to the Bible?

Matthew 2:1

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem

Matthew 2:2

and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

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That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep.

Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified,

"Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people.

The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David!

And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger."

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

What are Some of the Biblical Principles of Christ's Birth?

Genuine encounters with the Logos (the Word of God) are designed to wreck everything we believe in, everything we value, and everything you hope for.

- Your life is not about you
- Your life is a part of a much bigger story
- Faith without sacrifice and obedience isn't real
- If you don't act, maybe no one will
- Surrender is key to being a committed disciple, not comfort

The Bible acts as a supernatural mirror to our lives. The Kingdom of God cries out in pain as the Bible contrasts what we value, and how we do things, with what God values, and how He wants us to do things.

God chose the humblest birth for His entry into the world in order to show us that the central value of life, is a life committed to obeying God, no matter the cost.

Our true worth and significance isn't based on where we come from, who our family is, how much money we have, our societal status, or our mistakes; it is based on who we are in relationship to God.

Who the baby Jesus was is NOTHING compared to who the Logos is!

