

IS THE VIRGIN BIRTH FOR REAL?

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At that time the Roman emperor, Augustus, decreed that a census should be taken throughout the Roman Empire. ² (This was the first census taken when Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³ All returned to their own ancestral towns to register for this census. ⁴ 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. ⁵ He took with him Mary, his fiancée, who was now obviously pregnant. ⁶ And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born. ⁷ She gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them. Luke 2:1-7

**Jesus was NOT the Son of God because He was born of a virgin,
He was born of a virgin because HE IS the Son of God and God the Son!**

**The Virgin Birth is not incidental it is absolutely _____.
Without the Virgin Birth we do not have _____!**

1. The Virgin Birth is a _____!

³⁰ Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.

³³ And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

³⁴ Then Mary said to the angel, "**How can this be**, since I do not know a man?"

³⁵ And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶ Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. ³⁷ **For with God nothing will be impossible.**" Luke 1:30-37

God is NOT BOUND by the Laws of the Universe that HE _____!

Without question, this is the **great mystery** of our faith: Christ was revealed in a human body and vindicated by the Spirit. He was seen by angels and announced to the nations. He was believed in throughout the world and taken to heaven in glory.

I Timothy 3:16

2. The Virgin Birth is Essential for _____!

⁸ That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. ⁹ Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, ¹⁰ but the angel reassured them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. ¹¹ **The Savior—yes, the Messiah**, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! ¹² And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger." ¹³ Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others—the armies of heaven—praising God and saying, ¹⁴ "Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased." Luke 2:8-14

Adam infected the entire human race with sin!

¹² When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.

Romans 5:12

⁴⁵ The Scriptures tell us, "The first man, Adam, became a living person."

But the last Adam—that is, Christ—is a life-giving Spirit.

I Corinthians 15:45

14 Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could He die, and only by dying could He break the power of the devil, who had the power of death. 15 Only in this way could He set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.

Hebrews 2:14-15

The Virgin Birth assured that Jesus did not inherit the sin nature from Adam.

**His blood was sinless blood from His Father in Heaven not Joseph's!
He was the Son of God not the son of Adam. Mary assured His Humanity!**

3. The Virgin Birth Culminates in _____!

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Luke 1:30-33

Jesus Is God in Human Form

*8 But **to the Son** He says, "Your throne, **O God**, endures forever and ever! You rule with a scepter of justice.*

Hebrews 1:8

For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 His government and its peace will never end. He will rule with fairness and justice from the throne of his ancestor David for all eternity.

Isaiah 9:6-7

The Only Hope for this Messed Up World is JESUS!

Answers:

Essential, Salvation, Mystery, Created,
Salvation, Majesty

Financial Update

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