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# MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

The Person of Christmas

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## Christmas is coming!

- Big holiday here
- Celebrated in over 160 out of 195 Nations

**STORY:** Woman who had baby in Winter time... **Coats**

Have celebration for baby boy

Great Food, Fun... great party

While celebrating ABOUT a baby... Baby was Smothered by those Celebrating

## When you think about Christmas in our Culture....

- Lots of FUN / PARTIES / CELEBRATION / JOY
- **BUT** when we look at **Real Meaning of Christmas...**  
**Baby's been smothered**

Many good things associate with Christmas... actually Smothers real meaning

Want to talk about the Meaning of Christmas....



TODAY - **THE PERSON OF CHRISTMAS**

## The first 2 Chapters in Matthew introduces us to Person of Christmas

Angel speaking to Mary...



[ Matthew 1.21-23 NKJV ]

And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."

So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying:

"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."

## The Uniqueness of Christmas is tied to the Uniqueness of this BABY

- Christmas is unique because....

the Person we celebrate is - **GOD in FLESH**

- God in a diaper

- Made possible by VIRGIN Birth

- Jesus is most Unique person to ever live

- Hypostatic Union

(combination of divine and human natures in the single person)

**2 natures / in 1 person / unmixed / FOREVER**

- DIVINE nature / HUMAN nature

- FULLY God / FULLY man

- Only POSSIBLE by VIRGIN birth .....How???

**Young Lady** (never been intimate w/ man).... **Has EGG fertilized by Holy Spirit**  
(Matt. 1.18-20)

- Human part = Egg / Divine part = Holy Spirit

- Human Nature / Divine Nature

- Creating most unique individual

**NO ONE LIKE HIM** -Before / After

**Baby Jesus IS the GOD/MAN!**

## This Baby is FULLY GOD and FULLY MAN

- A person in a Crib / YET... He made His mother and Crying for mother's milk
- Fully MAN... get's Hungry / Fully God... Feeds 5000 people
- Fully MAN... get's Tired / Fully God... Raise people from dead
- Fully MAN... can get Thirsty / Fully God... Walk on Water
- Fully MAN... so He can DIE / Fully God... He can get up from the DEAD

.....MOST UNIQUE PERSON

**Anyone** who can do all that... Should get **Christmas** EVERYDAY

Should be **Recognized**....

Should be **Celebrated**....

## All Bible History looked forward

to **Uniqueness of this Person**.... called Jesus

### When sin entered the world...

- The FIRST Prophecy was given.... by God

.....Speaking to the devil...



[ Genesis 3.15 NKJV ]

*And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.* Bible later expands and says CRUSH head

### When Bible speaks of SEED it's always speaks of MAN's seed... **Except here!**

- To defeat devil... SEED of a WOMAN
- God was speaking of... **VIRGIN** BIRTH

...Woman's seed (NOT man) would defeat the devil

Also in Isaiah we see prophesy of Virgin Birth



[ Isaiah 9.6 NKJV ]

*For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given*

- "CHILD would be born...." That's the human birth
- "SON would be given...." He would be GIVEN!

Because the SON existed Before the Child was born

Isaiah Gives us more detail about Wonder of this person... Jesus Christ  
Why this Child should not get LOST in festivities

When this child comes forth...



[ Isaiah 9.6 NKJV ]

*...And the government will be upon His shoulder...*

- This baby born will have the WEIGHT of the World on His shoulders
  - On the cross, Jesus carried World's SINS
  - One day will be KING of whole Earth



[ Isaiah 9.6 NKJV ]

*...And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor...*

- Many people need counseling
  - Some counseling you can Use...
  - Some Works for while...
  - Jesus' (God/Man) Wisdom is Supernatural
- When Jesus speaks... It's best advice ever!!!
  - Advice FROM GOD... Understood by MAN
- Jesus can sympathize because He's a man

- We can go to Him on Throne, because He's WISE KING

**Jesus has BEEN where you are AND has Power to do something about it**

Isaiah goes on to say...



[ Isaiah 9.6 NKJV ]

*...Mighty God...*

- The Child who was BORN and Son who was GIVEN....  
**is in fact MIGHTY GOD!**

- This baby would actually be GOD in the Flesh

*"The Son is the image of the invisible God..." - Colossians 1.15*

*He is "...the exact representation..." of God - Hebrews 1.3*

- Everything that makes **GOD God**.... is possessed in Jesus Christ

- Everything that makes **MAN man**.... is possessed in Jesus Christ



[ Isaiah 9.6 NKJV ]

*Everlasting Father*

- Another way of putting it.... Baby is the Father if TIME

- Gave birth to Time

- Existed BEFORE Time.... **Eternity**

....The ONLY ETERNAL being is GOD!!!!

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. - John 1.1*

- He is Father of Time

- YET He knows what it is to live IN Time

.....Not your Ordinary Baby



Don't lose sight of who Jesus is and who it is we are celebrating