

The Miracle Of Christmas

(Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-56; 2:1-38)

Intro: The miracle of Christmas is the gift of God's Son, Jesus Christ, who came into this world through a virgin conception. The Apostle John tells us in the first chapter of his gospel, that the eternal Word, Jesus Christ, became flesh and dwelt among us, in order to reveal the glory of God the Father to all who receive Him (1:1-14). John goes on to explain that Jesus Christ is "the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29). This is the Miracle of Christmas. This morning I would like for us to briefly review God's gracious provision of Christ our Savior as recorded in Luke 1 and 2, and Matthew 1. A provision I am calling **the Miracle of Christmas!** Look with me at the Announcements of Christ's Birth, the Advent of Christ our Savior, and the Adoration of Christ Our Savior.

I. The Announcements Of Christ's Birth (Luke 1:26-38; Matt. 1:18-25)

- A. The announcement to Mary (Luke 1:26-38)
- B. The announcement to Joseph (Matthew 1:18-25)

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II. The Advent Of Christ Our Savior (Luke 2:1-20)

III. The Adoration Of Christ Our Savior (Luke 2:22-38)

- A. The adoration by Simeon (2:25-32)
- B. The adoration by the prophetess Anna (2:36-38)
- C. The adoration by you and me.

The Christ of Christmas is the ultimate joy of life! His incarnation should lead to a joyous celebration among His people. Christ is born! The Savior is here! And He is Lord! Let us praise Him this Christmas morning and everyday throughout the New Year!

Conclusion: *What is Christ to you?*

The Christ of Christmas came to save people from sin.

The Christ of Christmas is God's salvation *for you*.

Take Christ to be your Savior this Christmas morning! Confess your sinfulness, and find your salvation, peace, and joy in the Christ of Christmas.