

*Luke* 2:1 NKJV

“And it came to pass in those days *that* a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered.”

*Luke* 2:4 NKJV

“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,”

*Luke* 2:6 NKJV

“So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered.”

*Luke* 2:7 NKJV


“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.”

*Luke* 2:8 NKJV


“Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.”

*Luke* 2:9 NKJV


“And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid.”

*Luke* 2:13, 14 NKJV 


“And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: “Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!” ”

*Matthew* 2:1 NKJV 

“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,”

*Matthew* 2:2 NKJV 

“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.’”

 *Desire of Ages*, p.60

“The wise men had seen a mysterious light in the heavens upon that night when the glory of God flooded the hills of Bethlehem. As the light faded, a luminous star appeared, and lingered in the sky. It was not a fixed star nor a planet, and the phenomenon excited the keenest interest. That star was a distant company of shining angels, but of this the wise men were ignorant. Yet they were impressed that the star was of special import to them.”

What is Christmas all about?

1. It's about more than a miraculous conception.
2. It's about more than a miraculous birth.
3. It's about more than wise men being heavenly led.
4. It's about more than Santa Claus and gifts.
5. Christmas can be about you and I seeing the need of a Savior and giving our all to Him for He certainly gave His all to us.

Why? Why does Jesus even care?

1. He created us and He loves those whom He has created (John 1:3; Romans 5:8; 1 John 4:19).
2. He wants to redeem us from our sinfulness (1 John 1:9).
3. He longs to strip us of our filthy rags and bestow upon us His robe of righteousness. Notice what the Bible teaches in Isaiah 64:6 and Revelation 7:14

*Isaiah* 64:6 NKJV



"But we are all like an unclean *thing*, And all our righteousnesses *are* like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away."

*Revelation* 7:15 NKJV



"These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

*Isaiah* 53:6 NKJV



"All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all."