

The Birth of Jesus Foretold

Luke 1:26-38 - *The Angel Appears to Mary*

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary.

28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, Oh favored one, the Lord is with you!"

29 But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.

30 And 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 bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to 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 And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

35 And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called Holy—the Son of God. 36 And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. 37 For nothing will be impossible with God."

38 And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

Matthew 1:18-25 - *The Angel Appears to Joseph*

Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

19 And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. 20 But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.



To us a Child is born, to us a Son is given. Isaiah 9:6

21 She will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.”

22 All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: 23 “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call His name Immanuel” (which means, God with us). 24 When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, 25 but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called His name Jesus.

(Read Also: Isaiah 7:14, Micah 5:2)

A Closer Look: The Angel Appears to Mary and Joseph

Joseph

1. Mary was promised to Joseph as his wife. He was troubled by the news that Mary was going to have a baby. What did he plan to do? *(Divorce her quietly)*
2. What changed his mind? *(An angel appeared to him in a dream)*
3. What is the first thing the angel told Joseph? *(Do not be afraid)*
4. What did the angel ask him to do? *(Take Mary to be his wife)*
5. How did Mary become pregnant? *(By the power of the Holy Spirit)*
6. Why did the angel say that Jesus was to be born? *(To save all people from their sin.)*
7. What did Joseph do when he woke? *(He followed the angel's commands)*

Mary

8. How did the angel greet Mary? *(He said she was highly favored - the Lord was with her)*
9. What was Mary's reaction? *(She was troubled)*
10. What did the angel say to comfort her? *(Do not be afraid)*
11. What was the angel's news? *(Mary would have a son. His name will be Jesus.)*
12. Mary was a virgin. How did she become pregnant? *(By the power of the Holy Spirit)*
13. What would Jesus be called? *(Holy, Son of God)*
14. What other news did the angel give to Mary? *(Elizabeth, her older relative, was also pregnant)*
15. What was Mary's response? *(I am the servant of the Lord)*

usatya kutora Maria somukadzi wako nokuti pamuviri paava napo akapabata nokuda kwesimba raMweya Mutsvene. 21 Achava nomwana mukomana wauchazotumidza zita rokuti Jesu nokuti ndiye achaponesa vanhu vake kubva muzvivi zvavo.”

22 Izvi zvose zvakaitika kuti zvizadzise zvakanga zvataurwa nalshe kubudikidza navaprofita vake zvokuti: 23 “Mhandara ichava napamuviri, igozvara mwana mukomana, uye vachamutumidza zita rokuti Emanueri, zvichireva kuti, ‘Mwari anesu.” 24 Josefa paakapepuka, akaita sezvaakanga arayirwa nomutumwa walshe, uye akatora Maria somukadzi wake, 25 asi haana kusangana naye kusvikira azvara mwana mukomana. Akamutumidza zita rokuti Jesu.

(Verengawo Muprofita Isaya 7:14 NaMuprofita Mika 5:12)

Mutumwa anozviratidza kuna Maria na Josefa.

Josefa

1. Maria wakanga watsidzira kuwanikwa naJosefa somukadzi wake. Akatambudzika kwazvo kunzwa kuti Maria aizova nomwana. Wakafunga kuiteiko? *(Kumuramba chinyararire.)*
2. Ko chii chakashandura pfungwa dzake? *(Mutumwa akazviratidza kwari pakurota.)*
3. Ko chii chakatanga kuudzwa Josefa nomutumwa? *(Usatya!)*
4. Ko mutumwa akamuudza kuti aitei? *(Kuti atore Maria somukadzi wake)*
5. Ko Maria akava nemimba sei? *(Nokuda kwesimba raMweya Mutsvene.)*
6. Mutumwa akati Jesu aizozvarirwei? *(Kuti aponese vanhu kubva muzvivi zvavo.)*
7. Ko Josefa akaitei paakamuka kubva muhope? *(Akaita sezvaakanga arairwa nomutumwa.)*

Maria

8. Ko mutumwa akakwazisa sei Maria? *(Akati akanga akaropafadzwa - Ishe aiva naye.)*
9. Ko Maria akzvitora sei? *(Akatambudzika)*
10. Ko mutumwa akatii mukuedza kumunyaradza? *(Akati usatya!)*
11. Mashoko akanga auya nomutumwa ndeapi? *(Maria aizova nomwanakomana. Zita rake rainzi Jesu)*
12. Maria aiva mhandara asina kumboziva murume. Ko akazova nepamuviri sei? *(Nesimba raMweya Mutsvene.)*
13. Ko Jesu azodaidzwa kuti ani? *(Mutsvene, Mwanakomana waMwari.)*
14. Ko ndeapi mamwe mashoko akataurwa nomutumwa kuna Maria? *(Kuti Erizabete hama yake yakange yava nemimbawo.)*
15. Mhinduro yaMaria yaiti kudiniko? *(Ndiri muranda waJehova)*

Kuzvarwa kwaJesu kunoziviswa

Ruka 1:26-38 - *Kuzvarwa kwaJesu kunoziviswa*

Mumwedzi wechitanhatu, Mwari akatuma mutumwa Gabhurieri kuNazareta, guta riri muGarirea, 27 kumhandara yakanga yatsidzira kuwanikwa nomurume ainzi Josefa, chizvarwa chaDhavhidhi. Zita remhandara iyi rainzi Maria.

28 Mutumwa akasvika kwaari akati, “Kwaziwa, iwe wakanzwirwa nyasha zvikuru! Ishe anewe.”

29 Maria akatambudzika zvikuru namashoko ake uye akashamiswa kuti kukwazisa kwakadai ndekworudzii.

30 Asi mutumwa akati kwaari, “Usatya, Maria, iwe wanzwirwa nyasha naMwari. 31 Uchava nomwana uye uchazvara mwanakomana, ugomutumidza zita rokuti Jesu. 32 Iye achava mukuru uye achanzi Mwanakomana woWokumusoro-soro. Ishe Mwari achamupa chigaro choushe chababa vake Dhavhidhi, 33 uye achatonga pamusoro peimba yaJakobho nokusingaperi; umambo hwake hahungatongogumi.”

34 Maria akabvunza mutumwa akati, “Ko, izvi zvichaitika seiko sezvo ini ndiri mhandara?”

35 Mutumwa akapindura achiti, “Mweya Mutsvene achauya pamusoro pako, uye simba roWokumusoro-soro richakufukidza. Saka mutsvene achazvarwa achanzi Mwanakomana waMwari. 36 Kunyange hama yako Erizabhete achava nomwana pamazuva okukwegura kwake, uye mwedzi uno ndowechitanhatu kuna iye ainzi asingabereki. 37 Nokuti hakuna chinhu chisingagonekwi naMwari.”

38 Maria akati, “Ini ndiri muranda waShe. Ngazviitike hazvo kwandiri sezvamareva.” Ipapo mutumwa akabva paari.

Mateo 1:18-25 - *Kuberekwa kwaJesu Kristu*

Uku ndiko kuberekwa kwakaitwa Jesu Kristu: Maria, mai vake vainge vatsidzirwa kuroorwa naJosefa, asi vasati vagara vose, achiri mhandara, akaonekwa ava napamuviri nokuda kwaMweya Mutsvene.

19 Asi nokuda kwokuti Josefa akanga ari munhu akarurama akafunga zvokumuramba chinyararire, asingamunyadzisi pavazhinji. 20 Asi achiri kufunga nezvenyaya iyi, mutumwa walshe akauya kwaari mukurota akasvikoti, “Josefa, mwana waDhavhidhi,

Tazvarirwa Mwana, tapiwa Mwanakomana. Muprofiti Isaya 9:6

