

Joseph – A Man with a Heart for God

Series: Who's That in The Manger?

Matthew 1:18-25

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. Matthew 1:18

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1. He was **just**.

And her husband Joseph, being a just man . . . Matthew 1:19a

2. He was **merciful**.

. . . and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. Matthew 1:19b

3. He was **attentive**.

But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying . . . Matthew 1:20a

- a. This was a **miracle** baby.
- b. The baby was a boy and his name would be **Jesus**.
- c. He is the **Savior**.
- d. This all fulfilled **prophecy**.
- e. He is Immanuel – God **with** us!

4. He was **obedient**.

When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus. Matthew 1:24-25

Takeaways:

God will stretch your **faith**.

He is fulfilling His **plan**.

His directions will be **clear**.

Responding in obedience to God is the road to **blessing**.