

Born in Bethlehem

Series: Prophecy Made, Prophecy Fulfilled

Micah 5:2-4; Luke 2:1-7; Matthew 2:1-6

1. _____ is Bethlehem?

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. Micah 5:2

- It is identified by its current name and _____ name.
- It is about _____ miles south of Jerusalem.
- It's a _____ town near a larger city.

2. _____ Bethlehem?

a. Because _____ said so.

They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet . . . ' Matthew 2:5

b. Because of the _____ there.

i. _____ was buried there.

So Rachel died, and she was buried on the way to Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem). Genesis 35:19

ii. _____ lived there.

So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabite her daughter-in-law with her, who returned from the country of Moab. And they came to Bethlehem at the beginning of barley harvest. Ruth 1:22

iii. _____ was from there.

The LORD said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' 1 Samuel 16:1

c. Because of _____ was arriving and how he was arriving.

And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. Micah 5:4

And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. Luke 2:7

3. _____ about Bethlehem?

- The meaning of the name Bethlehem is house of _____.
- The meaning of Ephrathah is _____.
- Bethlehem was a small town but not _____.
- The bread of _____ came to the town of Bethlehem.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.'

John 6:35

Conclusion

- God always has a _____.
- God is _____ out His plan.
- God can do _____ things in obscure places.
- Jesus was born in a _____ place illustrating his heart.
- It's prophecy made, prophecy _____.

Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the offspring of David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was? John 7:42

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