*The Message Notes* Message: *WHY We Celebrate the Birth of Christ* Messenger: Pastor Keith (PK) Text: Matthew 1:18-23 Date: December 25, 2022



Objective: to be reminded WHY we celebrate the birth of Christ.

## **Teaching:**

1. According to PK's teaching, is Christmas a feast of the Lord?

2. Do you worship Christmas as a Holy Day or Holiday? What is the difference?

3. Name the miraculous event of Christmas according to verse 18:

4. Explain why Joseph was a just man according to verse 20:

5. According to PK's teaching, is there a difference between **virginal** conception of Christ and **Immaculate** conception of Christ?

6. Name the principles we learn from the Angels' intervention with Joseph:

7. Name three characteristics of God's gift to us:

8. Name the accuracies of Isaiah's prophecies concerning the birth of Christ:

9. Name at least three-character traits you learned about God through studying the life of Christ – "God with us": References: 1 Timothy 3:16, John 14:9, Colossians 1:15-16

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c)	

"If you want to know what God is like, study the life of Jesus."

**Takeaway:** Christmas is a time we teach to **proclaim** the miraculous events of the birth of Christ, so we can **renew** the awe of God in our souls. We share the **purpose** of Christ being our gift of salvation from God with the world.

We're confident in the realness of Christ by the accuracy of the **prophesy** of Scriptures. Lastly, we recognize the **person** of Christ. He was God who took upon flesh to dwell among us and remains with us today by the Holy Spirit.