

BEHOLD

A new sermon series for advent



PART 4: ARRIVAL

SUN. DECEMBER 18, 2016 // PASTOR DANIEL CARR // LUKE 2:1-7

BIG THOUGHT: From this historical account, BEHOLD the _____ of God.

I. Born in the _____ of time.

- A. The _____ from Caesar Augustus.
- B. Quirinius was _____ Syria.
- C. The _____.

Galatians 4:4-5 (NKJV)

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

Why was the timing right?

- 1) There was a common _____.
- 2) There was the _____ of Rome (Pax Romana).
 - a. Peacetime allowed the building of many _____ which made travel easy.
 - b. Peacetime also improved the _____ of travel.
- 3) The Diaspora – or _____ of the Jews.

II. Born in the town of _____.

- A. The _____ significance of _____.

Micah 5:2 (HCSB)

Bethlehem Ephrathah, you are small among the clans of Judah; One will come from you to be ruler over Israel for Me. His origin is from antiquity, from eternity.

Joshua 19:15 (HCSB)

Along with Kattah, Nahalal, Shimron, Idalah, and Bethlehem – 12 cities, with their villages. This was the inheritance of Zebulun's descendants by their clans, these cities, with their villages.

John 7:42 (HCSB)

Doesn't the Scripture say that the Messiah comes from David's offspring and from the town of Bethlehem, where David once lived?

B. The Symbol of _____.

- 1. Means, " _____ of Bread."
- 2. So, it was a " _____ of bread."

John 6:32-36 (NKJV)

Then Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, Moses did not give you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." Then they said to Him, "Lord, give us this bread always." And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.

What are the implications of Jesus being the Bread of Life?

- 1) He is the _____ force of physical life.

Hebrews 1:3 (NIV)

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.

Colossians 1:16-17 (NKJV)

For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

- 2) He is the _____ of spiritual hunger.

Matthew 5:6 (NKJV)

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

- 3) He is the _____ of never-ending life.

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