

Who is this Baby Called Jesus?

Overview: The infant born in the stable that wonderful day in Bethlehem was the fulfillment of 4000 years of prophecy that brought salvation to mankind and restored him to receive all the promises of God. That infant child is exactly what man needed; salvation and the life of God. Christmas is a sure anchor that we can trust God completely **today** in every area of our lives.

A. The Promised Coming Messiah (The Christ) - Matthew

1. There are 300 plus prophecies in the OT that stretch from Genesis to Malachi concerning the Messiah which Jesus fulfilled in His birth, life, death and resurrection.
2. The story of Jesus' birth in Matthew is the story of the fulfillment of prophecy.
 - a. Matt 1:21-23; 2:5-6; 15; 17-18; 23.
3. God is a promise keeping God. You can trust Him to fulfill His promises to you!

B. The Savior of the World - Luke

1. In Luke, Jesus is announced as the Savior of the World.
 - a. Luke 1:31 (Jehoshua – God Saves); 76-77; 2:11; 21; 29-32.
2. God has promised us salvation through His Christ.
 - a. **Salvation – Sozo:** deliverance, health, healing, wholeness, preservation, protection, well being.
3. You can trust the Salvation package you have received through the Christ Child.

C. The Life of God, the Light of Men - John

1. In Him was LIFE, and the life was the light of men. John 1:4-14; 1 John 1:1-2
2. The Life of Jesus is for us, He becomes our life. John 6:33-68; John 10:10
3. Zoe – Life, vitality
 - a. Eternal / Everlasting (Perpetual) Life (Zoe). God's life which starts in us at salvation and extends throughout eternity
4. Live the LIFE that is in you!
 - a. We shall be saved by His life. Rom 5:10
 - b. We shall reign in life by Jesus Christ. Rom 5:17
 - c. Christ, who is our life. Col 3:4
 - d. The law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus has made us free. Rom 8:2
 - e. To be carnally minded is death, to be spiritually minded is life. Rom 8:6
 - f. The Holy Spirit dwelling in us gives our body life as we dwell. Rom 8:10-11
 - g. Jesus is the resurrection and the life, he who believes shall never die. John 11:25-26
5. You can trust the LIFE in you to bring life throughout your entire being.

*Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth
and the LIFE"*