



QA: What Does the Bible Say About Jesus' Birth? by [John T Polk II](#)

*All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.*

QUESTION: "What does the Bible say about Jesus' birth?"

REPLY: There is a vast difference in what the Bible actually says, and what people have added as misrepresentations and human traditions!

The Bible Says:

Inasmuch as many have taken in hand to set in order a narrative of those things which have been fulfilled among us (**Luke 1:1**)...

It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write to you an orderly account, most excellent Theophilus, that you may know the certainty of those things in which you were instructed. (**Luke 1:3-4**)

The Book of Luke was written by the Holy Spirit through Luke because "many" were writing their own account of Jesus' life, but not accurately. Luke's "orderly account" literally meant he was writing about the events in Jesus' life "one after another." Time sequence means something, for

God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son. (**Hebrews 1:1-2**)

This time of year, many celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, but do not seem to understand some things. For instance:

1. **God's Son was born to a woman who did not believe in abortion.** Though not the "mother of God," Mary was chosen to bring forth the body for God's Son. "The angel Gabriel" said to her:

"The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God." (**Luke 1:35**)

Had she feared for her own life, reputation, or future at work, she could have been scared into an abortion, but instead, she feared God. No righteous person can consistently accept the birth of the precious Jesus and believe that abortion is all right.

2. **When Jesus birth was first announced to shepherds**, suddenly there appeared:

... A multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men of goodwill!" (**Luke 2:13-14**, *Textus Receptus*)

But Jesus' birth did not mean there would be "peace" all over the earth. Jesus "came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near" (**Ephesians 2:17**), but only "as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ" (**Galatians 3:27**). "Peace, goodwill toward men of goodwill" is for those who are "baptized into Christ." Do you have that peace with God and man?

3. **Many think everyone is spiritually saved just because Jesus was born.** Jesus, however, said it takes more effort than to simply "seek" to enter His kingdom.

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able." (**Luke 13:24**)

Then He shows that the many will think they should be allowed in only because,

"'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity'." (**Luke 13:24-27**)

But we are reconciled to God only by "the death of His Son," (**Romans 5:10**), not His birth!

4. **A plethora of human traditions have been read into Scriptures!** Saul of Tarsus was completely wrong when he was "more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers" (**Galatians 1:14**) and "persecuted this Way to the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women" (**Acts 22:4**). Christians should:

Stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle. (**2 Thessalonians 2:15**)

Christians must only observe traditions from Scriptures, and not "turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables" (**2 Timothy 4:4**)!

— *jjtpII, December 16, 2018*