

# Christmas in the Old Testament

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## I. Introduction

- A. Christmas in the Old Testament
  - 1. Today
- B. Christmas in the New Testament
  - 1. December 14<sup>th</sup>
- C. Christmas in Songs
  - 1. December 21<sup>st</sup>

## II. Christmas in the Old Testament

(Jesus is the most mentioned person in the Bible, David I second)

- A. The Old Testament – Genesis 3:15
  - 1. The earliest reference to His birth is His death in the last book of the Bible – Revelation 13:8
    - a. Worship him mean to worship the antichrist
    - b. Those who do worship him do not have their names in the book of life.
    - c. According to the Father's timetable Jesus (the Lamb) "was slain" (crucified) "from the foundation of the world".
  - 2. His incarnation is required is required to deliver the death sentence to the serpent – Satan (Genesis 3:15)
- B. The Passover: Jesus our Passover Lamb – Exodus 12
  - 1. Handout
- C. How will He be conceived – Isaiah 7:14
  - 1. The law of double reference: for both Ahaz and Mary and Joseph
  - 2. Both Isaiah 7:14 and Proverbs 3:19 use the Hebrew word "Almah" – a chaste maiden who is unmarried
  - 3. Both the Septuagint (LXX) and the New Testament use the Greek word "Parthenos" which refers to a woman who has never had physical relations with a man.
  - 4. Immanuel: God with us – Mathew 17:5
- D. Isaiah 9:6, 7
  - 1. "Child" = His humanity (The Word became flesh – John 1:14)
  - 2. "Son" = His Deity. The Son is eternal and had no beginning – John 1:1

## 3. His name

- a. Wonderful Counselor = Supernatural, will rule with perfect wisdom – Isaiah 11:2
  - b. Mighty God – Genesis 2:1; Isaiah 10:21
  - c. Eternal Father or Everlasting Father – Micah 5:12; Luke 1:31, 32
  - d. Prince of Peace: Peace with God (Romans 5:1) and the Peace of God (Philippians 4:7) and Peace on Earth (Revelation 21, 22)
- E. Where He was born – Micah 5:2
    - 1. The town of Bethlehem (Ephrathah is the ancient name for Bethlehem (the house of bread)
    - 2. It is approximately 6 miles south and slightly east of Jerusalem
    - 3. It is so small and insignificant that even though it is given to the tribe of Judah, it is not named in Joshua 14.
      - a. Habakkuk 1:12