

# THE PERSON AND LIFE OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

## Lesson One

### *THE BIRTH OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST*

Scripture reading: Matt. 1:18-25

#### **Burden to Impart:**

*In this lesson we want to impress the children with the wondrous Person of the Lord Jesus; He is both God and Man. We also want to impress them with His unique conception; being conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of a young virgin girl.*

Because of this divine yet human source He is very, very special. He has no sin, no shortcomings, or defects; He is absolutely perfect in every way, inwardly and outwardly, in life and also in conduct. He is the One that all mankind had been waiting for ever since Adam sinned and God had promised that a Savior would one day come into the world (Gen. 3:15). For thousands of years God's prophets had told about His coming and gave many details that would come to pass with His birth, life, death, and resurrection. He would be the answer to every problem of man and the entire universe. He was the promised Savior and coming King. He would be called "Jesus" (meaning Jehovah the Savior) because He was a perfect man who would die upon the cross to save us from our sins. His name would also be called "Emmanuel" (meaning God with us) because He was the mingling of God with man. So then, His birth and His coming is the coming of God to be with us.

**Memory Verse:** "And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21).

#### **Facts to Teach:**

1. Before an important person visits a certain place their coming is always pre-announced so that everything and everyone will be ready to meet him. Because of the tremendous importance of the coming of the Savior and Redeemer, God gave many prophecies and promises about His coming hundreds and even thousands of years before He was born (Gen. 3:15; Num 24:17a; Isa. 7:14; 9:6; Micah 5:2).
2. Born of Mary: The Lord Jesus was born of a typical young Jewish girl, hence He is a real man, the Son of Man (Mark 10:45). Mary was a virgin, a young woman who had never been married or come together with a man. (Luke 1:27, 34)
3. Born without sin: Although the Lord Jesus was born of Mary and was a real human being, the Bible tells us that He was born without sin and did not have a sinful nature, as all other men have (Rom. 8:3; 2 Cor. 5:21a; Heb. 4:15).
4. Born of the Holy Spirit of God: Because the Lord was conceived of the Holy Spirit of God, He had the life and nature of God, His Father. Therefore He is the Son of God (Luke 1:35).
5. Who He is:
  - a. Jesus the Savior to be our Redeemer, to save His people from their sins (Matt. 1:21).
  - b. Emmanuel God with us, God coming to man so that man can receive Him as life. (Matt. 1:23)

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Songs for Lesson One

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*Hymns, Jr., #47.*

D E<sup>7</sup> A<sup>7</sup>  
Our God has come as man  
D Em A<sup>7</sup>  
According to God's plan --  
D A D A  
His name is Jesus Christ the Lord,  
G D A D  
Our wonderful God-man!

*Hymns, #84.*

D A D A  
Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
D G D A D  
Christ, the everlasting Lord:  
D Bm E<sup>7</sup>  
Late in time behold Him come,  
A E A E<sup>7</sup> A  
Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
D G D A  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
D G D A  
Hail th' incarnate Deity!  
G B<sup>7</sup> Em B<sup>7</sup> Em  
Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
A D A<sup>7</sup>D  
Jesus our Immanuel.

*Repeat last two lines.*