

“Real Christmas At Roswell Street”

Sunday, December 17, 2023 @ 10:30am

The Coming Of The King!



Psalm 40:3 “He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.”

Luke 2:1-20: “Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. ²This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³And everyone was on his way to register for the census, each to his own city. ⁴Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, ⁵in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child. ⁶While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. ⁸In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; ¹¹for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased.” ¹⁵When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, “Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us.” ¹⁶So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger. ¹⁷When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child. ¹⁸And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them.”

The ideal birthplace for the “Bread of Life” was Bethlehem which translated is “house of bread.”

John 6:35 “Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst.”

Three Birth Thoughts

- 1) His Birth drew Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. (vs. 1-7)
 - God was in charge even though Augustus Caesar was ruling.
 - God fulfills His will through His people.

- 2) His Birth drew angels from Heaven to Earth. (vs. 8-14)
 - The Messiah's public announcement came from an angel.
 - The Messiah's second announcement was from shepherds.

- 3) His Birth draws people to worship and serve Him. (vs. 15-20)
 - They worship Him and marveled at God's grace and goodness and the miracle He had brought for them. (v. 16-17)
 - They received by faith the message God sent them and then responded with immediate obedience. (v. 20)

Worship is setting our minds attention and our hearts affection on God, that will lead us to total obedience in His service!