

## “The Kingdom of God!”

### Part 14: “The Birth of THE KING!!”

#### Luke 1-2



Introduction: People today have not only accepted their confusion regarding spiritual things, but seem to rejoice in it!!!

It seems today that the WORST thing you can do is to think you KNOW what is true, especially in the realm of spiritual things.

Either you CAN know truth ... OR, you can know nothing !

**Knowing the truth about Jesus leads to living with “the Christmas spirit” all year long!!**

#### I. The facts surrounding Jesus’ birth ...

**Luke 1:4:** “ ... that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.”

What you find in the Bible is the account of God’s sending His Son into the world as a baby who would be King, the fulfillment of His promises made from Adam to Abraham and from David to Jesus!

**Luke 1-2 ...** True joy, peace and hope come from believing the facts that have been revealed in one book, but by numerous writers, all inspired by one Spirit: the Spirit of GOD !!

**II Timothy 3:14-16a:** “ ... continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed ... All Scripture is breathed - out by GOD ...”

The message of the Bible is consistent and without contradiction. The facts are presented as truth revealed from God to man.

The principle of interpretation we ascribe to is that the Bible interprets the Bible.

#### II. The interpretation of the facts surrounding the birth of Jesus ...

Throughout the Old Testament God reveals His purpose to establish His kingdom, gathering for Himself a people, bringing salvation through His covenant of grace.

**Luke 1:16-17 ...** John the Baptist was sent to prepare a people who would repent, believe and follow the coming Savior, Jesus, the Christ!

**Romans 1:16 ...** Paul was not ashamed of the Gospel because it was and is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, “to the Jew first and also to the Greek.”

**Luke 1:68-70 ...** This ONE is the fulfillment of God’s promise to bring salvation to His remnant, His chosen ones, His people ... and anyone who says there are other ways to heaven is a liar.

The religions of the world stand opposed to the interpretation of who Jesus IS that the Bible gives.

**Luke 1:32-33:** “ ... And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father, David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end!”

This is the fulfillment of God’s Covenant of Grace, His promises made to Abraham and repeated throughout the Old Testament for more than 2,000 years.

**Luke 1:72-29:** “ ... to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember His holy covenant, the oath that He swore to our father, Abraham” (vss. 72-73).

The unmistakable interpretation of the facts surrounding Jesus’ birth is that Jesus is THE King ... the Messiah, the promised Savior ...

**I Corinthians 1:20:** “For ALL the promises of God find their ‘Yes’ in Him. That is why it is through Him that we utter our ‘AMEN!’ to God for His glory!”

#### III. The application of the facts surrounding the birth of Jesus ...

**John 3:16-18:** “Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already ...” (vs. 18).

**I John 5:9-13:** “I write these things **to you who believe in the name of the Son of God** that YOU may KNOW that you have eternal life!” (vs. 13).

Christmas is one link in a chain of specific events planned by God before the world began that will lead to the establishment of His kingdom !!

**John 8:32:** “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you FREE !!!!!”