



Sunday, December 22, 2024

God's Gifts for Us This Christmas
Love
Matthew 1:18-25

3 Demonstrations of Love in the Christmas Story

1. Joseph's love for _____

2. Joseph's love for _____

3. God's love for _____



Study Guide

For the week of December 22, 2024

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

What are the two names for Mary's Son and what does each name mean?

How have these names impacted your personal understanding, faith, and life?

Read the following verses. How do they impact your understanding of what it means to be saved?

- a. John 3:16-18
- b. John 8:24
- c. John 10:14-16
- d. Acts 4:12
- e. Romans 10:8-10
- f. Ephesians 2:4-9

Read Luke 1:26-38. What did the angel, Gabriel, say about Mary's baby?

From whom did both Matthew and Luke say Jesus was born?

How does Jesus' father relate with what is written in Genesis 1:1, 26 and John 1:1-4 and 14? How does this help you grow in your faith?

How did Mary's reaction show her faith? How does the example of Mary's faith help me with my own faith?



Read the following verses. How were each of these Old Testament prophecies fulfilled in the birth of Jesus?

- a. Genesis 3:15
- b. Genesis 49:8
- c. Psalm 2:7
- d. Isaiah 7:14
- e. Isaiah 9:6-7

Which of these Old Testament prophecies did Matthew specifically quote in this chapter?

How did Joseph's actions show his faith in the Lord's word?

How did Mary and Joseph suffer for their faith?

What reward did Mary and Joseph get as a result of their faith in the word of the Lord?

What personal needs has the Holy Spirit exposed during this study? How can we pray with you about those needs? Consider memorizing Matthew 1:21.

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