

A purpose driven birth. Matthew 1:18-25

A Man with a Mission.

“And you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save His people from their sins.”

But Mission Irrelevant?

Mission Essential. [Genesis 3]

Why agree sin is the problem

The gospel itself

Our experience of human nature

God’s judgements

Our inner longings

Mission Impossible?

A Unique Man v. 20, 22-23

²⁰ *But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:*

²³ *“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel”*

Hebrews 2:⁹ But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

Hebrews 2:¹⁴ Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Matt. 20:²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Matt. 26:²⁸ for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

A Costly Mission

²⁴ *When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife,*

²⁵ *but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.*