

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017

MORNING MESSAGE

“The Announcement of the King”

Matthew 1:18-21

- I. THERE IS A UNIQUE COUPLE (v.18a, 19)
 - A. A young girl named Mary
 - 1. John 1:46, “Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?”
 - B. A man named Joseph
 - 1. Matthew 13:55, “Is not this the carpenter’s son?”
 - C. What made this couple unique?
 - 1. Mary – Luke 1:28, “And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women”
 - 2. Joseph – Matthew 1:19, “Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily”
- II. THERE IS A UNIQUE CONCEPTION (vv.18b, 20)
 - A. This unique couple was engaged to be married
 - 1. “Espoused” means to be promised
 - 2. They were already called “husband” (v.19) and “wife” (v.20)
 - B. Mary “was found with child”
 - 1. She has not been promiscuous
 - 2. She has not be unfaithful
 - 3. The angel says, “that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost”
 - C. A pregnant virgin is unique
 - 1. A baby with an earthly mother and a heavenly Father is unique
 - 2. It had never happened before and it will never happen again: absolutely unique
- III. THERE IS A UNIQUE CALLING (v.21)
 - A. The baby shall be called Jesus
 - 1. “Jesus” is a common name that means “savior”
 - 2. “Jesus” is a form of the Hebrew name “Joshua” which means “Jehovah is salvation”
 - B. Jesus is a unique, one of a kind, Savior
 - 1. John 3:16, “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life”
 - 2. John 6:68, “Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of life”
 - 3. John 14:6, “I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the father but by me”
 - 4. Acts 4:12, “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved”