

# Extraordinary Father, Matchless Son

Matthew 1:18-25

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<sup>18</sup>Now, the origin of Jesus Christ was thus: after His mother, Mary, was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found to be with child<sup>1</sup> by the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup>And Joseph, her husband, being a righteous man and yet not wishing to make a display of her, decided to divorce her privately.

<sup>20</sup>And after he had pondered these things, look! an angel of the Lord appeared to him by way of a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to accept Mary *as* your wife; for the *Child* begotten in her is by the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup>And she will give birth to a Son, and you will call His name ‘Jesus,’ for He Himself will save His people from their sins. <sup>22</sup>Now, all this has happened in order that what was said by the Lord through the prophet might be fulfilled, saying, <sup>23</sup>‘Look! the virgin will be with child<sup>1</sup> and will give birth to a Son, and they will call His name “Immanuel”’” (—which, when interpreted, is “God with us”).

<sup>24</sup>And when Joseph arose from his sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord directed him, and he accepted his wife. <sup>25</sup>And he continued not to know her *intimately*, until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name “Jesus.” [*ad hoc* translation by Pastor Phillips]

## Introduction

### I. What We Learn of \_\_\_\_\_

#### A. His Circumstances (v. 18)

##### 1. Betrothal:

##### 2. Be \_\_\_\_\_?

#### B. His Character (v. 19)

##### 1. “Righteous...”

##### 2. “and yet not wishing to make a display of her”

#### C. His \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 20-25)

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<sup>1</sup>The idiom is literally “having in *the* womb.”

1. How Joseph thought
2. What \_\_\_\_\_ did (vv. 20-23)
3. How Joseph's responded (1:24-25)
4. What Joseph \_\_\_\_\_

**II. What We Learn of \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_)**

**A. His Nature**

1. His **mother** was **Mary**
  
2. His **Father** was **God**

**B. His Name:**

1. What's in a name?
2. " \_\_\_\_\_ "
  - a. What was the *meaning* of the name?
  
  - b. What is the *significance* of the name?
3. " \_\_\_\_\_ "