Mat-
thew
1:18-24
This is
how the
birth of
Jesus
Christ came
about: His
mother Mary
was pledged to
be married to
Joseph, but
before they came
together, she was
found to be with
child through the
Holy Spirit. Because
Joseph her husband
was a righteous man
and did not want to
expose her to public dis-
grace, he had in mind to
divorce her quietly. But
after he had considered this,
an angel of the Lord appeared
to him in a dream and said,
"Joseph son of David, do not be
afraid to take Mary home as
your wife, because what is con-
ceived in her is from the Holy
Spirit. She will give birth to a son,
and you are to give him the name
Jesus, because he will save his people
from their sins." All this took place
to fulfill what the Lord had said
through the prophet: "The virgin will
be with child and will give birth to a son,
and they will call him Immanuel"--which

Micah 5:2
"But you, Beth-
lehem Ephra-
thah, though
you are small
among the
clans of Judah,
out of you will
come for me
one who

Isaiah 7:14
Therefore the Lord him-
self will give you a sign: The
virgin will be with child and will

Matthew 2:1-12 - After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea,
during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jeru-
salem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of
the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to wor-
ship him." When King Herod heard this he was disturbed,
and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together
all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he
asked them where the Christ was to be born. "In
Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what
He was
the son,
so it was
thought,
of Joseph,
the son of
Heli, 24
the son of
Matthat,
the son of
Levi, the
son of
Melki, the

Luke 1:35
The angel an-
swered, "The
Holy Spirit will
come upon you,
and the power
of the Most
High will over-
shadow you. So
the holy

Isaiah 9:6-7
For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given, and the
government will be on his
will be called
lor, Mighty God,
, Prince of Peace.
of his government
will be no end. He
vid's throne and over
establishing and up-
ith justice and right-
rom that time on and
The zeal of the LORD
y will accomplish this.

oseph, 25
the son of
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as, the
son of
Amos, the
son of
Nahum,
the son of
Esli, the
son of
Naggai,
26 the

Luke
2:1-20
In
those
days
Caesar
Augustus
issued a
decree that a
census should
be taken of the
entire Roman
world. (This was
the first census
that took place
while Quirinius was
governor of Syria.)
And everyone went to
his own town to regis-
ter. So Joseph also
went up from the town
of Nazareth in Galilee to
Judea, to Bethlehem the
town of David, because he
belonged to the house and
line of David. He went there
to register with Mary, who was
pledged to be married to him
and was expecting a child.
While they were there, the time
came for the baby to be born, and
she gave birth to her firstborn, a
son. She wrapped him in cloths and
placed him in a manger, because
there was no room for them in the
inn. And there were shepherds living
out in the fields nearby, keeping watch
over their flocks at night. An angel of
the Lord appeared to them, and the glory

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