

"The Savior Is Born" Matthew 1:1-25

- I. Begins with the briefest of genealogies (1:1):
 - a. The gospel begins with genealogical

_____ of the Jesus' ancestors through

Abraham and David (2:2-18).

Genesis 12:3; 2 Samuel 7:11-13, 16

b. The genealogy, in its points of irregularity, highlight ______ features in the lineage of David and of Jesus Christ (1:3, 5-6).

Matthew 28:18-20

- II. Mary, betrothed to Joseph, is found to be ______ by the Holy Spirit (1:18).
 - a. Joseph, being just yet unwilling to put her to shame,

_____ to divorce her quietly (1:19).

b. It took special revelation through an angel to

Joseph that Mary was not a

fornicator and that this pregnancy was from God (1:20).

III. The point in the Messiah's coming is the salvation of God's

people from their _____ (1:21).

- a. _____ have sinned and fallen short of God's glory (Romans 3:23, 6:23).
- b. Jesus came that we might have ______(Romans 5:8).
- c. All who place their _____ (meaning "trust") in Jesus shall be saved (Romans 10:9-10, 13).