

THE RESPONSES TO THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST – FAVORABLY & FAILING
Which Describes You?
(Luke 2)

A. The FICTION Surrounding the BIRTH of JESUS CHRIST.

B. The FACTS Surrounding the BIRTH of JESUS CHRIST. (2:1-14)

C. The FAVORABLE RESPONSES to the BIRTH of JESUS CHRIST. (2:15-20)

1. The favorable response of *Joseph* was one of _____ resulting in _____. (Matt. 1:18-25)
2. The favorable response of the *angels* was one of _____ God and _____ a message of God's grace to man. (2:13-14)
3. The favorable response of the *shepherds* was one of _____ resulting in _____ and _____ God. (2:15-16) What does this teach you about faith in God's Word?
4. The favorable response of *Mary* was to _____ these things and _____ them in her heart. (2:19) What can you learn from this?
5. The favorable response of the *Magi* was to _____ to the truth they were given so as to _____ more truth resulting in finding _____, _____ Him, and giving Him _____. (Matt.2:1-11)
 - What can you learn from this about Jesus Christ?
 - What can you learn about responding to the truth you receive?

D. The FAILING REACTIONS to the BIRTH of JESUS CHRIST.

1. The failing reaction of the *Romans* was to be _____ to Christ's birth due to _____ . (2:1-2)
2. The failing reaction of the *people of Nazareth* was to _____ Christ's birth due to believing _____ and _____ that they failed to check out. (2:3-4)
3. The failing reaction of the *inn-keeper* was to _____ Jesus Christ because he was had _____ in his inn. (2:7)
4. The failing reaction of the *townspeople* was to _____ about Christ's birth but to _____ anything further. (2:18)

5. The failing reaction of *Herod* was one of _____ which resulted in him seeking to destroy the Savior. (Matt. 2:1-18)

6. The failing reaction of the *religious leaders* was one of _____ due their **spiritual blindness and religious traditions**. Which one (or more) of these favorable responses or failing reactions describes you?

Favorable Responses - ___ Joseph? ___ Angels? ___ Shepherds? ___ Mary? ___ Magi?

Failing Reactions - ___ Romans? ___ People of Nazareth? ___ inn-keeper? ___ townspeople? ___ Herod? ___ Religious leaders?

- What is the most important response to the birth of Jesus Christ?