

# The gift that keeps on giving

Matthew 1:18-25

## Introduction:

It is Christmas a time of giving and receiving gifts. This morning we are going to look at the gift that keeps on giving. This gift came as a child. Join with me as we read about this child this wonderful gift that keeps on giving.

## Scripture:

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. 19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. 20 But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. 21 And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."

22 So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."

24 Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, 25 and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name Jesus.

## Key Points:

1. The gift that keeps on giving.
2. What are the gifts that HE this Christ child named Jesus gives?

## Outline:

1. The gift that keeps on giving.
  - a. This gift was the gift of the Christ child that was given to Mary.
2. What are the gifts that HE this Christ child named Jesus gives?
  - a. HE is the redemption of sin
    - i. Redemption- the act of saving.
      - (1) (Romans 3:23-24) 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,
    - ii. There is no other name that can save a man's soul from hell.
      - (1) (Acts 4:12) 12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."
  - b. HE is healer.
    - i. (Matthew 9:35) 35 Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages,

- teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people
- ii. In Luke chapter eight we have the story of the woman who was sick with the flowing of blood and while in a crowd of people she reached out and touched HIS garment and was healed immediately.
- iii. HE is still healing people today. And for those of us who have lost loved ones and wonder where was their healing well that got the ultimate healing because they get to look into the face of glory every single day.
- iv. Has HE healed you physically and spiritually?
- c. HE is the gift that keeps on giving.
- d. HE is the giver of life.
  - i. (John 1:1-4) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.
  - ii. You are here because HE desired it.
  - iii. HE gives life everlasting due to what HE did on calvary's cross
    - (1) HE did so that you may live. A doctor can add years to your life but only God can add life to your years.

**Conclusion:**

HE is the gift that keeps on giving. Are you ready to accept this gift? HE has already offered it to you all you need to do is reach out and claim it.