

a new dawn coming

Certainty in Uncertain times (Luke 1-4)



BEMKEC

**THE KING IS HERE,
AND HE AIN'T CAESAR**

LUKE 2:1-20





Did you hear?

THE BIRTH OF JESUS

1 IN THOSE DAYS CAESAR AUGUSTUS ISSUED A DECREE THAT A CENSUS SHOULD BE TAKEN OF THE ENTIRE ROMAN WORLD.

2 (THIS WAS THE FIRST CENSUS THAT TOOK PLACE WHILE QUIRINIUS WAS GOVERNOR OF SYRIA.) **3** AND EVERYONE WENT TO THEIR OWN TOWN TO REGISTER.

⁴ 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.

⁵ HE WENT THERE TO REGISTER WITH MARY, WHO WAS PLEDGED TO BE MARRIED TO HIM AND WAS EXPECTING A CHILD.

⁶ WHILE THEY WERE THERE, THE TIME CAME FOR THE BABY TO BE BORN,

⁷ AND SHE GAVE BIRTH TO HER FIRSTBORN, A SON. SHE WRAPPED HIM IN CLOTHS AND PLACED HIM IN A MANGER, BECAUSE THERE WAS NO GUEST ROOM AVAILABLE FOR THEM.

⁸ AND THERE WERE SHEPHERDS LIVING OUT IN THE FIELDS NEARBY, KEEPING WATCH OVER THEIR FLOCKS AT NIGHT.

⁹ AN ANGEL OF THE LORD APPEARED TO THEM, AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD SHONE AROUND THEM, AND THEY WERE TERRIFIED.

¹⁰ BUT THE ANGEL SAID TO THEM, “DO NOT BE AFRAID. I BRING YOU GOOD NEWS THAT WILL CAUSE GREAT JOY FOR ALL THE PEOPLE.

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14 “GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST HEAVEN,
AND ON EARTH PEACE TO THOSE ON WHOM HIS FAVOR RESTS.”

15 WHEN THE ANGELS HAD LEFT THEM AND GONE INTO HEAVEN, THE SHEPHERDS SAID TO ONE ANOTHER, “LET’S GO TO BETHLEHEM AND SEE THIS THING THAT HAS HAPPENED, WHICH THE LORD HAS TOLD US ABOUT.”

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**20 THE SHEPHERDS RETURNED, GLORIFYING AND PRAISING
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SCANDALOUS
DANGEROUS
UNWELCOMED



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TERRIFIED??!!??

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A savior
HAS BEEN born
TO you.
Luke 2:11

GLORIFYING AND
PRAISING GOD

BECAUSE *THE WORD WAS
FULFILLED JUST AS IT WAS
TOLD THEM*

**DO YOU HAVE
ROOM FOR HIM
IN YOUR LIFE?**

