



## The Miracle King Matthew 1:16-20

Matthew 1:16-20 (ESV)

“....and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ.... Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, ‘Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.’”

### I. The Cynical Condemnation of the Virgin Birth

If Jesus was not virgin born:

- Scripture is unreliable.
- Mary was immoral.
- Jesus was wrong about His Father.
- Isaiah 7:14 was not fulfilled.
- Jesus was illegitimate.
- He could not be the God-Man.
- He was born under the curse of Adam’s sin.
- Every miracle becomes suspect.

“Had Jesus been conceived by the act of a man, He could not have been divine and could not have been the Savior. His own claims about Himself would have been lies, and His resurrection and ascension would have been hoaxes, and mankind would forever remain lost.” John MacArthur

## **II. The Convincing Affirmation of the Virgin Birth**

- **The Testimony of God’s Word**

Verse 18 – “...before they came together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.”

Verse 20 – “...that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.”

Luke 1:26-27 (NIV)

“In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary.”

- **The Testimony of Mary’s Witness**

Luke 1:30, 34 (ESV)

And the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. And Mary said to the angel, “How will this be, since I am a virgin?”

- **The Testimony of Joseph’s Walk**

Verse 24, 25 – “When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.”