

Plain, Humble, Costly Faith

Matthew 1:18-25

The Virgin Mary was Found to be Pregnant.

Matthew 1:18-25 This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit.

1. A _____ man in a _____ situation.

*19*Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

Deuteronomy 22:23 If a man happens to meet in a town a virgin pledged to be married and he sleeps with her, **24** you shall take both of them to the gate of that town and stone them to death.

2. Finding your life in God's _____.

*20*But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. *21*She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." *22*All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: *23*"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"—which means, "God with us."

- **Ephesians 2:10** For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

• What eternal thing can God do through your ordinary life when you choose to _____ to Him?

3. The cost of doing _____.

*24*When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. *25*But he had no union with her until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

• What _____ do you need to take to do God's will?

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• Next Steps for Growth:

I want to begin to follow Jesus today.

I want to be baptized.

I am interested in membership

I would like someone to contact me to pray with me about a difficult situation that I am in.

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Change my contact inf

Mailing Address: _____

I am a: 1st time guest 2nd time guest Regular Attendee Member (taken membership class & committed to membership covenant)