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**“The Difference A Baby Makes – When His Name is Savior”**

***“Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.” Luke 2:1-20***

# **A Savior has …**

***Luke 2:1-20***

1. A Savior was born to Joseph and Mary, a young

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1. A Savior was born in Bethlehem while Joseph was in the town of his lineage.
2. A Savior was born in beginnings.
3. A Savior was born with only shepherds and to announce His birth.
4. **A Savior was …**

***“…The virgin will conceive a child. She will give birth to a son and will call Him Immanuel (which means ‘God is with us’)” Isaiah 7:14***

1. A Savior was born who ultimately fulfilled 354 prophecies of his birth, life, death and resurrection!

**Old Testament Prediction New Testament Fulfillment**

Christ would be born in Jesus was born in Bethlehem

Bethlehem (**Micah 5:2**) (**Matthew 2:1-10**)

Christ was preceded by Jesus was introduced to

a messenger chosen by God Israel by John the Baptist

(**Malachi 3:1; Isaiah 40:3-5**) (**Matt. 3:3;Mark 1:2; John 1:29**)

Christ would be the Jesus is called the Foundation

Foundation on which the (**1 Cor. 3:11; 1 Peter 2:4-8**)

New Covenant would be based.

(**Isaiah 28:16**)

Christ would preach Good Jesus is the Savior of men

News to the world. (**Luke 4:16-21;24:47;**

(**Isaiah 61:1-2; 52:7;42:6-7;49:6**) **Matthew 28:19-20**)

1. A Savior was born to fulfill the to restore the broken relationship between God and man.

**“And I will cause hostility between you and the woman and between your offspring and her offspring. He will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.” Genesis 3:15**

1. A Savior was born in .

**“But you, Bethlehem…out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.” Micah 5:2**

**“Jesus was born in Bethlehem…” Matthew 2:1a**

1. A Savior was born of a .

 ***“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:14***

***“This is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother, Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph. But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit.” Matthew 1:18***

1. **A Savior was …**
2. A Savior was needed to us and forgive our sins.

**“Help us, God our Savior, for the glory of your name; deliver**

**us and forgive our sins for your name’s sake.” Psalm 79:9**

1. A Savior was needed to our burdens.

**“Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our**

**burdens.” Psalm 68:19**

1. A Savior was needed to destroy , to bring life and immortality to light, to equip us to make the gospel attractive, and to prepare us for His glorious return!

**“but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our**

**Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has**

**brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.”**

**2 Timothy 1:10**

**“…so that in every way they will make the teaching about**

**God our Savior attractive.” Titus 2:10b**

**“while we wait for the blessed hope- the appealing of the**

**glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.” Titus 2:13**

1. A Savior was needed to the world.

 ***“They said to the woman, ‘We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.’” John 4:42***

1. **A Savior has come you…**

**“For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16**

1. He came to you from your sins!

**“When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam’s sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.” Romans 5:12**

1. He came to you from your sins!

**“Jesus gave His life for our sins, just as God our Father planned, in order to rescue us from this evil world in which we live.” Galatians 1:4**

1. He came to give you a life!

**“…My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.” John 10:10b**

1. He came to give you life!

**“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 6:23**

**“Jesus said,’ I am the way, and the truth, and the life, no one** **comes to the Father but through me.’” John 14:6**