THE MIRACLE CHILD
Matthew 1:18-23 / 12-13-20 / AM

I. WHAT REASONS DO WE HAVE FOR BELIEVING THE VIRGIN BIRTH?

A. It was predicted in the Old Testament--Isaiah 7:14--…The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel.

1. Prophecies often have dual meanings (for that day and for a future day, too).

2. The Hebrew word “almah,” although, not the normal word for virgin, never is used to refer to a married woman (Isaiah 7:14).

B. It was reported in the New Testament--Matthew 1:18-20; Luke 1:34-35.

C. It was claimed by Jesus who often referred to Himself as God’s Son.

II. SECOND, WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF THE VIRGIN BIRTH?

A. First, because of it, we know of Jesus’ preexistence --John 1:1;14).

B. Second, because of it we know of Jesus’ sinless nature that made Him a worthy sacrifice for our sins--Psalm 51:5; 2 Corinthians 5:21.

C. Third, because of it we know Jesus is the Messiah and Savior—Luke 2:11.

D. Fourth, because of it, we experience God’s presence in our lives--Matthew 1:23