

Places, Promises & Perspective

Living in the Light of Christmas, pt 1

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Bethlehem's ... Background Story:

- A promise to a snake (Gen. 3:15)
- A promise to a Chaldean (Gen. 12:1-3)
- A promise to a king (2 Samuel 7:12-16)
- A promise to a people (Isaiah 7:14; 9:6-7, Jer. 31:31-34, Zech. 2:10)
- A promise to a place (Micah 5:2)

Jesus' Birth ... Background Story: (Galatians 4:4)

- A surprised older couple (Luke 1:11-13)
- A surprised teenager (Luke 1:26-33, 36-37)
- A surprised carpenter (Matthew 1:19-25)
- A surprised nation (Luke 2:1-7)

Jesus' Early Years ... Background Story:

- A trip to Jerusalem (Matthew 2:1-2, Numbers 24:17)
- A trip to Egypt (Matthew 2:12-15, Hosea 11:1)
- A trip to Nazareth (Matthew 2:19-23, Isaiah 11:1, Psalm 22:6-7, Isaiah 53:3)

In times of waiting, and worldly decisions by others ...

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