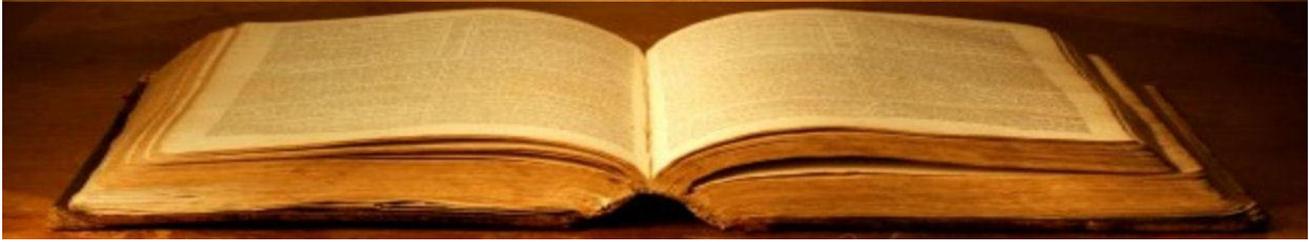


The Life of Christ Living In Me!

Practical Studies in The Gospel According to Luke



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We have learned about the birth of both John and Jesus. While we know there was about 400 years of silence prior to the announcement of these events, we reviewed several prophecies that were fulfilled in the events surrounding the birth of Christ. This lesson will consider some birth announcements and visitors who came to see Jesus.

Announcement to Shepherds (Luke 2:8-14)

1. These shepherds were in the _____ country, living in the _____, keeping watch over their _____ by night.
2. What was their reaction when the angel stood before them and the glory of the Lord shone around them? _____
3. The angel brought good _____ of great _____.
4. The announcement was that: There is born, _____ day, in the city of David, a _____, who is _____.
5. They would know the child because he would be wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a _____.
6. What did the heavenly host say as they praised God? _____

Shepherds Visit (Luke 2:15-20)

1. The shepherds determined to go see what God had made known to them.
2. What did they find? _____
3. The shepherds made it widely _____ the saying that was told them concerning this _____.
4. What was Mary's response to all this? _____
5. The shepherd's reaction as they returned was to _____ God

Circumcision of Jesus (Luke 2:21-24)

1. Remember the instruction concerning circumcision was that it was to be done on the _____ day.
2. His name was called _____. (Divinely given even before conception.)
3. After Mary's days of purification, they brought Jesus to Jerusalem. Why? _____
4. What sacrifice did they offer? _____

Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:25-35)

1. Simeon was _____ and _____. He was waiting for the _____.
2. The _____ was upon him.
3. It was revealed to Simeon that he would not _____ until he saw the _____.
4. When Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the temple, Simeon took Him in his arms. Take note of the words of Simeon.
5. Simeon spoke to Mary about the greatness and sorrow of the Child and that a _____ would pierce her own _____.

Prophecy of Anna (Luke 2:36-38)

1. Anna was a widow.
 - a. How long had she been married? _____
 - b. How old was she? _____
2. Anna did not depart from the _____.
3. She served God with _____ and _____ night and day.
4. Anna gave _____ to the Lord and spoke of Him to all those who looked for _____ in _____.

In our next lesson we will consider the events that are recorded in Matthew 2 before proceeding with Joseph, Mary, and Jesus returning to Nazareth.