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Luke 2

1 Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.

2 This was the first census to take place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.

3 And everyone went to his own town to register.

Micah 5

2 “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, Out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.”



MEDITERRANEAN SEA

S PHO

GALILEE

Sea Galilee

DECAPOLIS

PLAIN OF SHARON

SAMARIA

PERAEA

JUDAEA

Dead

Chorazin
Accho
(Ptolemais)
Capernaum
Magdala
Bethsaida
Gennesaret
Tiberias
Cana

Nazareth
Nain

Caesarea

Sebaste

Aenon
(Salim)

Pella

Sychor

Joppa
(Japho)

Arimathaea

Alexandrium

Lydda

Ephraim

Philadelphia

Jamnia

Emmaus

Jericho

Bethany
(Beyond Jordan)

Ashdod

Jerusalem

Qumran

Bethlehem

Ashkelon

Herodium

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4 So Joseph also went up from Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the City of David called Bethlehem, since he was from the house and line of David.

5 He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to him in marriage and was expecting a child.

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6 While they were there, the time came for her Child to be born.

7 And she gave birth to her firstborn, a Son. She wrapped Him in swaddling cloths and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Philippians 2

6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped;

7 rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!

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8 And there were shepherds residing in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

**Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me,
because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news
to the poor.**

**He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim
freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the
prisoners,**

**2 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of
vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,**

**3 and provide for those who grieve in Zion— to bestow on
them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy
instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a
spirit of despair.**

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8 And there were shepherds residing in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

9 Just then, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

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10 But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid! For behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people:

11 Today in the City of David a Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord!

12 And this will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.”

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13 And suddenly there appeared with the angel a great multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying:

**14 “Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to men
on whom His favor rests!”**

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15 When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.”

16 So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

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17 After they had seen the Child, they spread the message they had received about Him.

18 And all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

19 But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

20 The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, which was just as the angel had told them.



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