# THE VIRGIN BIRTH

#### I. THE DOCTRINE OF THE VIRGIN BIRTH.

And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. Luke 1:35

The virgin birth of Jesus Christ is without parallel in all of human history. It was by the virgin birth that God became man, one perfect person but two natures: one nature being that of Almighty God, the other being that of man – man without sin (Hebrews 4:15). The union of the two natures became the God–man Christ Jesus.

- 1. The first hint of the virgin birth is found in (Genesis. 3:15).
- 2. Isaiah prophesied that "a virgin would conceive, and bear a son and shall call His name Immanuel (God with us)" (Isaiah 7:14).
- 3. Again Isaiah prophesied saying... "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given" (Isaiah 9:6). This means that God gave His only begotten Son who was with Him from eternity, and was born of a virgin the child Jesus. God gave His Son "unto us".
- 4. He was to be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2). Joseph and Mary went up to Bethlehem to be taxed, thus fulfilling prophecy (Luke 2:1-7).

### II. THE PROMISE GIVEN IN THE GARDEN.

And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. Genesis 3:15

The Lord Jesus Christ is the same person as:

- 1. The seed of the woman. (Genesis 3:15)
- 2. The seed of Abraham. (Genesis 22:18)
- 3. Prophet like unto Moses. (Deuteronomy 18:15)
- 4. The priest after the order of Melchizedek. (Psalms 110:4)
- 5. The rod out of the stem of Jesse. (Isaiah 11:1,10)
- 6. The one born of a virgin. (Isaiah 7:14)
- 7. The branch of the LORD. (Isaiah 4:2)

# III. THE PROPHECY GIVEN TO THE PROPHETS.

Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14

These are the Prophecies of Jesus Christ birth in the Old Testament concerning:

- 1. His coming at a set time. (Genesis 49:10; Daniel 9:24-25)
- 2. His being born of a virgin. (Isaiah 7:14)
- 3. His being called Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)
- 4. His being born in Bethlehem of Judea. (Micah 5:2)
- 5. Great persons coming to adore Him. (Psalms 72:10)
- 6. The slaying of the children of Bethlehem. (Jeremiah 31:15)
- 7. His being called out of Egypt. (Hosea 11:1)

## IV. THE PROPHECY ANNOUNCED BY THE ANGEL.

And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. Luke 1:31

Mary's response to the angel's announcement was:

- 1. How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? (Luke 1:34)
- 2. Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. Luke 1:38
- 3. My soul doth magnify the Lord, And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. (Luke 1:46-47)

Mary's response confirms that she was a virgin, a handmaiden of the Lord and she magnified the Lord and acknowledged that her child was to be her Saviour.

## V. THE PROPHECIES FULFILLED BY JESUS CHRIST.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. Luke 2:6-7

Old Testament prophecies fulfilled by Jesus Christ:

- 1. As the Son of God. (Psalms 2:7; Luke 1:32,35)
- 2. As the seed of the woman. (Genesis 3:15; Galatians 4:4)
- 3. As the seed of Abraham. (Genesis 17:7; Galatians 3:16)
- 4. As the seed of Isaac. (Genesis 17:19; Hebrews 11:17-19)
- 5. As the seed of David. (Psalms 132:11; Acts 13:23; Romans 1:3)
- 7. As His coming at a set time. (Daniel 9:25; Luke 2:1)
- 8. As His being born of a virgin. (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18; Luke 2:7)
- 9. As His being called Immanuel (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:22-23).
- 10. As His being born in Bethlehem of Judea (Micah 5:2; Matthew 2:1; Luke 2:4-6).
- 11. As great persons coming to adore Him. (Psalms 72:10; Matthew 2:1-11).
- 12. As the slaying of the children of Bethlehem (Jeremiah 31:15; Matthew 2:16-18)
- 13. As His being called out of Egypt. (Hosea 11:1; Matthew 2:15)
- 14. As His being preceded by John the Baptist. (Malachi 3:1; Matthew 3:1,3)
- 15. As His being a Prophet like unto Moses. (Deuteronomy 18:15; Acts 3:20-22)
- 16. As His being a Priest after the order of Melchizedek. (Psalms 110:4; Hebrews 5:5-6)
- 17. As His being sold for thirty pieces silver. (Zechariah 11:12; Matthew 26:15)
- 18. As His death. (Isaiah 53:12; Matthew 27:50)
- 19. As a bone of Him should not be broken. (Psalms 34:20; John 19:33,36)
- 20. As His being pierced. (Zechariah 12:10; John 19:34,37)
- 21. As His being buried with the rich. (Isaiah 53:9; Matthew 27:57-60)
- 22. As His flesh not seeing corruption. (Psalms 16:10; Acts 2:31)
- 23. As His resurrection. (Psalms 16:10; Isaiah 26:19; Luke 24:6,31,34)
- 24. As His ascension. (Psalms 68:18: Luke 24:51; Acts 1:9)
- 25. As His sitting on the right hand of God. (Psalms 110:1; Hebrews 1:3)
- 26. As His exercising the priestly office in heaven. (Zechariah 6:13; Romans 8:34)
- 27. As His being the chief corner-stone of the Church. (Isaiah 28:16; 1 Peter 2:6-7)
- 28. As His being King in Zion. (Psalms 2:6; Luke 1:32; John 18:33-37)
- 29. As His righteous government. (Psalms 45:6-7; John 5:30; Revelation 19:11)
- 30. As His universal dominion. (Psalms 72:8; Daniel 7;14; Philippians 2:9,11)
- 31. As His everlasting kingdom. (Isaiah 9:7; Daniel 7:14; Luke 1:32-33)