



# Joseph

Matthew 1:18-23

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### A. Who He Was

What do the following verses tell you about Joseph? Matthew 1:16, Matthew 1:18, Matthew 1:19, Matthew 13:55

How would you describe a *betrothal*?

What does Matthew 1:19 tell you about the faith life of Joseph?

### B. Crisis

What is the crisis in the life of Joseph?

What did Joseph not want Mary to experience according to Matthew 1:19?

What was the danger to Mary? Note Deuteronomy 22:23-24

What was the plan of Joseph?

## II. Joseph and the Message

### A. The Holy Birth

How did God send his message to Joseph in Matthew 1:20?

How does this message start? How is Joseph addressed?

What does Matthew 1:20 tell Joseph he should not be afraid to do? Why?

### B. Names Given

What does Matthew 1:20 tell us is so significant about this son to be born?

What is significant about the name Jesus?

How did people mistakenly view Jesus or miss who Jesus was?

How does Jesus want to change us? What does that mean for us?

What other name or title is given to Jesus in Matthew 1:23?

Why is it so important that Jesus became "God with us"? How does it have *forgiveness of sin* and *salvation* implications?

How does Jesus being "God with us" impact our daily lives as Christians?