

# What Did The Birth Of Jesus Christ Establish?

The birth of Jesus Christ told the world something, it declared something, and it established something.

## First, it established that God is real –

**Luke 2:8-15** [NIV] *“And there were shepherds living out in the fields near by, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.’ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests.’ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.’”*

The heavens were opened and another world than the one we physically live in came into view.

The earth the shepherds knew well, now they hear from God and heaven above.

It is little wonder that they went in haste to see Him who had come from above.

To the shepherds God was no longer a hope, a desire that He might be, He was real.

## Second, human life is essentially spiritual –

**John 1:1-2, 14** [NIV] *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.” ... “The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”*

For God and humans to unite they must be, to some degree, like each other.

**Genesis 1:26-27** [NIV] *“Then God said, ‘Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.’ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.”*

Humans being created in the image [Hebrew meaning recognisable shadow of real thing] of God affirms the needed link between God and human beings.

The Creator God is spirit [**John 4:24**] and human beings have a spirit entity within them. [**Job 32:8**]

The incarnation of Jesus Christ the Son of God and the Son of Man proves the link between God and humans to be a literal fact.

## Third, God indeed spoke by the prophets –

**Matthew 2:1-6** [NIV] *“After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, ‘Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him.’ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people’s chief priests*

*and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. 'In Bethlehem in Judea,' they replied, 'for this is what the prophet has written: "But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel."'"*

The priests and scribes who were versed in the Old Testament scriptures were able to inform the troubled King Herod that Jesus Christ would be born in Bethlehem of Judaea.

From then on prophetic scriptures came alive in the life of Jesus Christ.

For anyone to validate the claims of the Messiah in their life was so complex it would seem to be impossible, yet Jesus Christ did just that as a comparison of the Old Testament with the New Testament account of Jesus Christ's life and His claims.

Jesus Christ's coming confirmed the veracity of the Old Testament scriptures, even as those scriptures confirmed the soundness of Jesus Christ's claims.

#### **Fourth, humans are lost but not abandoned –**

The coming of Jesus Christ into the world tells us both of these things.

**Romans 3:23** [NIV] *"for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,"*

All humans have followed the example of Adam and Eve and rebelled against their Creator God.

**Romans 6:23** [NIV] *"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

Every human life, however good by human standards, can only earn death.

**1 John 1:8-9** [NIV] *"If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."*

If we confess our sins then through the sacrifice of the Son of God, Jesus Christ, we can be freed from the rightful penalty of our rebellious sins. [**1 Corinthians 15:3-4**]

Had humans **not** been lost because of rebellious sins **no** Saviour would have been required.

Had humans been abandoned **no** Saviour would have come.

The coming of Jesus Christ established that God has a concern for all humanity.

**2 Peter 3:9** [NIV] *"The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."*

The ultimate goal that the Creator God has.

**Matthew 18:11** [King James] *"For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost."*

The very reason that the Son of God became the Son of Man, our Saviour.

#### **Fifth, the human race will not be exterminated –**

**Matthew 24:21-22** [NIV] *"For then there will be great distress, unequalled from the beginning of the world until now, and never to be equalled again. If those days had not been cut short, no-one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened."*

Humanity will **not** be wiped out by nuclear war because of all those who become the disciples of Jesus Christ.

**Revelation 20:11-15** [NIV] *“Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. If anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.”*

All who have died **not** knowing their Saviour Jesus Christ, or were blinded by Satan [**2 Corinthians 4:4**] will be resurrected to have their chance of salvation.

### **Sixth, this world is not the end goal for humanity**

**John 18:36-37** [NIV] *“Jesus said, ‘My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But now my kingdom is from another place.’ ‘You are a king, then!’ said Pilate. Jesus answered, ‘You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.’”*

Jesus Christ talked about another world, a different kingdom and that He would be the king of that new world.

**Revelation 21:1-5** [NIV] *“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.’ He who was seated on the throne said, ‘I am making everything new!’ Then he said, ‘Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.’”*

This is the new world, where a new Jerusalem would be its headquarters in which Jesus Christ would dwell.

**Revelation 22:1-7** [NIV] *“Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever. The angel said to me, ‘These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place.’ ‘Behold, I am coming soon! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy in this book.’”*

A new world that no human has ever experienced before.

### **Seventh, this is not the limit of human experience –**

**1 Corinthians 2:9-10** [NIV] *“However, as it is written: ‘No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him,’ but God has revealed it to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.”*

Of this future as yet the Holy Spirit has only given to humanity some exciting hints as to how great a future it will be.

**Isaiah 9:6-7** [King James] *“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. **Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end**, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.”*

The increase of the rulership of Jesus Christ will spread, bringing peace with it.

**Isaiah 65:17** [King James] *“For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.”*

Note the word “*heavens*” is part of the prophecy yet only things pertaining to this earth are listed.

The same statement including “*heavens*” is mentioned in references to the new world in Revelation as quoted above.

**Isaiah 51:16** [King James] *“And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, **that I may plant the heavens**, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou art my people.”*

Here the prophet Isaiah is inspired in this statement as to what God will set His hand to do mentions “*plant the heavens*”!!

**Genesis 1:1** [King James] *“In the beginning God created the Heaven and the earth.”*

God created the heavens as well as the earth.

**Genesis 1:2** [King James] *“And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.”*

“*the earth became*” is a better translation for this would **not** be how the perfect God would have created it originally.

**Psalms 104:30** [King James] *“Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.”*

Refers to the renewing the surface of the earth.

When we explore the heavens, the moon outwards from the earth, we see it is still “*without form and void*” as well as in darkness.

I put the question, “*has God created all the galaxies with the billions of stars, each possibly with their own planets, with no purpose in mind?*” I don’t believe so.

For me, this is the exciting future that God is planning for humanity, to fill the eternal life He is offering us.

**John 17:3** [King James] *“And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.”*

We will get to “*know*” Greek means an intimate relationship as we join both God the Father and Jesus Christ in the work they do, that is creators. [**John 5:17**]