

## FROM THE MANGER TO THE THRONE (Part 2)

*What can we learn about God from Jesus' Birth?*

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Part I

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2<sup>nd</sup>) God is full of grace and a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Matthew 1:1,3,5,6 (NIV)** <sup>1</sup> This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham: <sup>3</sup> Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram, <sup>5</sup> Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, <sup>6</sup> and Jesse the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon, whose mother had been Uriah's wife,

**Galatians 3:13-14 (NIV)** <sup>13</sup> Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole." <sup>14</sup> He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

3<sup>rd</sup>) God desires to reveal His \_\_\_\_\_ nature to us.

**Matthew 1:18 (NIV)** <sup>18</sup> This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit.

**Isaiah 7:14 (NIV)** <sup>14</sup> Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

### I. The circumstances surrounding the birth of Jesus reveals much about God's true nature:

1<sup>st</sup>) God is humble and \_\_\_\_\_ us out of His love.

**Luke 2:7 (NIV)** ...and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

**Luke 2:8-9 (NIV)** <sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

**Philippians 2:7-8 (NLT)** <sup>7</sup> Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, <sup>8</sup> he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross.

Phil. 2:9 (NIV)