



Sermon Notes & Community Group Discussion

Sunday, December 13, 2009

Why did Jesus' Mom Need to be a Virgin?

Isaiah 7:14

I. What Scripture teaches about the virgin birth of Jesus:

1. He would not have a biological earthly father.
2. Supernatural, not mythical.
3. Fulfillment of Old Testament promises (prophecy).
4. Humanity needs redeeming.
5. God's initiative is on display.
6. Fully human and fully divine natures united in Jesus.

II. What Scripture does not teach about the virgin birth of Jesus:

1. It does not teach that Mary did not have a normal delivery.
2. It does not teach that Mary remained a virgin for the rest of her life.
3. It does not teach that Jesus' virgin birth was a myth taken from other religions.
4. It does not teach that belief in the virgin birth proves the deity of Jesus.
5. It does not teach that our sin nature is passed on through the male line.
6. It does not teach that Mary knocked boots with God.
7. It does not teach that Jesus' virgin birth is unimportant.

III. What difference does it make?

MEDITATION / APPLICATION

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Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or Community Group.

1. What is the significance of the virgin birth?
2. Why is it important to believe that Jesus was born of the virgin Mary?
3. How would you answer someone who claims the idea that Jesus was virgin born is simply a myth?
4. (Just for Men) - What can you learn from the example of Joseph?
5. (Just for Women) - What can you learn from the example of Mary?

