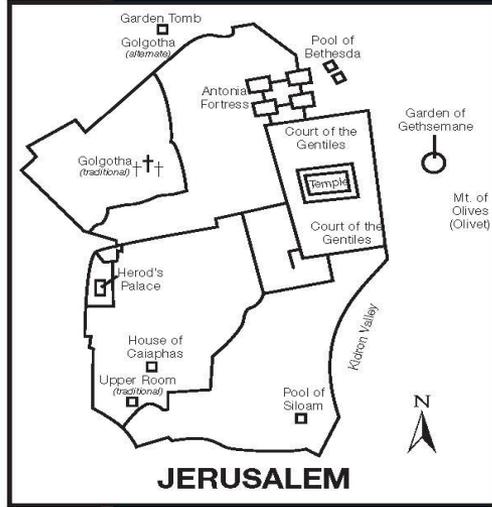


# Life & Teachings of Jesus

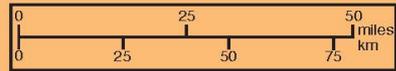
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# Childhood & Start of Jesus' Ministry

## I. The Messianic Expectation

The Messianic expectation in Israel goes back to God's covenant promise to King David, and the hoped-for correction of what appeared to be the end of the Davidic dynasty after the defeat of the Southern Kingdom of Judah by the Babylonians.

The Messiah ("Anointed One") was expected to be a descendant of David, sent by God to defeat Israel's enemies and again make the Jewish people into a great nation as they had been under King David.

*“Now then, tell my servant David, ‘This is what the Lord Almighty says: I took you from the pasture, from tending the flock, and appointed you ruler over my people Israel. <sup>9</sup> I have been with you wherever you have gone, and I have cut off all your enemies from before you. Now I will make your name great, like the names of the greatest men on earth. <sup>10</sup> And I will provide a place for my people Israel and will plant them so that they can have a home of their own and no longer be disturbed. Wicked people will not oppress them anymore, as they did at the beginning <sup>11</sup> and have done ever since the time I appointed leaders over my people Israel. I will also give you rest from all your enemies.*

*“The Lord declares to you that the Lord himself will establish a house for you: <sup>12</sup> When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup> He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <sup>14</sup> I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he does wrong, I will punish him with a rod wielded by men, with floggings inflicted by human hands. <sup>15</sup> But my love will never be taken away from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I removed from before you. <sup>16</sup> Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever.”*

2 Samuel 7:8-16

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## I. The Messianic Expectation

The promise of a Messiah (“Anointed One”) of God was reaffirmed through some of the prophets of Israel, who foretold the coming of a royal descendant of David.

*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup> Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. Isaiah 9:6-7*

*A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. <sup>2</sup> The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—<sup>3</sup> and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.*

*He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; <sup>4</sup> but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked. <sup>5</sup> Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist. <sup>6</sup> The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. <sup>7</sup> The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup> The infant will play near the cobra's den, the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest. <sup>9</sup> They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.*

*<sup>10</sup> In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious. <sup>11</sup> In that day the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to reclaim the surviving remnant of his people from Assyria, from Lower Egypt, from Upper Egypt, from Cush, from Elam, from Babylonia, from Hamath and from the islands of the Mediterranean.*

*Isaiah 11:1-11*

# Jesus Fulfills the Messianic Expectations

1. A descendant of David (Isaiah 11)
2. Born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2)
3. Associated with Galilee (Isaiah 9:1-3)
4. Born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14)
5. His birth would prompt the massacre of children (Jeremiah 31:15)
6. Would spend time in Egypt (Hosea 11:1)
7. A forerunner would prepare the way (Isaiah 40:3-5)
8. To enter Jerusalem riding on the foal of a donkey (Zechariah 9:9)
9. Would have hands, feet and side pierced (Ps. 22:16; Zech. 12:10)
10. Soldiers would gamble for his garments (Psalm 22:18)
11. Would be crucified with criminals (Isaiah 53:12)
12. Would be given vinegar to drink (Psalm 69:21)
13. Would be declared King of the Jews (John 19:19ff)
14. Would be declared the Son of God (Psalm 2:7)
15. The Suffering Servant - despised, rejected, stricken, afflicted, pierced for our transgressions, punished so that we might have peace, silent to his accusers, buried among the rich, returned to life after bearing the sins of many. (Isaiah 53:1-12)

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## I. The Advent

### 1. Circumstances surrounding the birth. (Matt. 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-7)

*In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. <sup>2</sup> (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) <sup>3</sup> And everyone went to their own town to register.*

*<sup>4</sup> So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. <sup>5</sup> He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup> While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, <sup>7</sup> 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 2:1-7*

### 2. Witnesses to the birth

- 1. Mary & Joseph – simple, poor, VERY Jewish*
- 2. The Magi – sophisticated and scholarly, wealthy, foreigners*
- 3. The Shepherds – younger, outdoorsy, likely not very religious*
- 4. Simeon & Anna – old, city dwellers, very pious*

# Childhood & Start of Jesus' Ministry

## II. Birth & Infancy (c. 6/5 BC to 7 AD)

### 1. Birth of Jesus – Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-7

*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.<sup>19</sup> Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.*

*<sup>20</sup> But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”*

*<sup>22</sup> All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: <sup>23</sup> “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”).*

*<sup>24</sup> When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. <sup>25</sup> But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And*

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1. Circumcision of Jesus – Luke 2:21
2. Presentation in the Temple – Luke 2:22-38

*On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived.*

*<sup>22</sup> When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”), <sup>24</sup> and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”*

*Luke 2:21-24*

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## II. Birth & Infancy (c. 6/5 BC to 7 AD)

*After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem <sup>2</sup> and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."*

*<sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup> "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:*

*<sup>6</sup> "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 shepherd my people Israel."*

*<sup>7</sup> Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."*

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*<sup>9</sup> After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. <sup>11</sup> On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.*

*Matthew 2:1-12*

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## II. Birth & Infancy (c. 6/5 BC to 7 AD)

### A. Flight to Egypt; Murder of the Innocents – Matt. 2:13-18

*When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. “Get up,” he said, “take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him.”*

*<sup>14</sup> So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, <sup>15</sup> where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: “Out of Egypt I called my son.”*

*<sup>16</sup> When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. <sup>17</sup> Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled:*

*<sup>18</sup> “A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.”*

*Matthew*

*2:13-18*

# Childhood & Start of Jesus' Ministry

## II. Birth & Infancy (c. 6/5 BC to 7 AD)

### A. Return to Nazareth – Matthew 2:19-23; Luke 2:39

*After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt <sup>20</sup> and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child’s life are dead.”*

*<sup>21</sup> So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup> But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, <sup>23</sup> and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets, that he would be called a Nazarene.*

*Matthew 2:19-23*

# Childhood & Start of Jesus' Ministry

## III. Boyhood

A. His growth - Luke 2:40

B. Visit to Jerusalem & the Temple at age 12 – Luke 2:41-50

C. His development – Luke 2:51-52

*And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.*

*<sup>41</sup> Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover.*

*<sup>42</sup> When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. <sup>43</sup> After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. ... <sup>46</sup>*

*After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup> Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup> When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you."*

*<sup>49</sup> "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying to them.*

*<sup>51</sup> Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup> And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.*

*Luke 2:39-43,46-52*

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## IV. Forerunner – John the Baptist

1. Prophecies concerning John – Isaiah 40:3; Malachi 3:1
2. The birth of John – Luke 1:57-80
3. The message to John – Mark 1:1-3; Luke 3:1-2
4. The ministry of John – Matthew 3:1-12; Mark 1:4-8; Luke 3:3-18
5. The witness of John – John 1:19-34, 3:22-36
6. Death of John the Baptist (Machaerus) – Mt.14:1-12; Mk.6:14-29; Lk.9:7-9

## V. The Start of Jesus' Ministry (*c. 26 AD*)

1. His baptism – Matthew 3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-23a
2. Wilderness temptation – Matt. 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup> The tempter came to him and said, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.”

<sup>4</sup> Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. <sup>6</sup> “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written:

*“He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.”*

<sup>7</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

<sup>8</sup> Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. <sup>9</sup> “All this I will give you,” he said, “if you will bow down and worship me.”

<sup>10</sup> Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’”

<sup>11</sup> Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.