

the "Christmas Window" into John the Baptist A Faithful Forerumer

the "Christmas Window" into Mary & Joseph A Prophetic Proposition



At that time the Roman emperor, Augustus, decreed that a census should be taken throughout the Roman Empire. (This was the first census taken when Quirinius was governor of Syria.) All returned to their ancestral towns to register for this census...

And because Joseph was a descendent of King David, he had to go to Bethlehem in Judea, David's ancient home.

He traveled there from the village of Nazareth in Galilee. He took with him Mary, his fiancée, who was now obviously pregnant.



...there was no lodging available. (Luke 2:7b)

Despite the busyness of the world, Christ came...

Love does not demand its own way.

The Stable

She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger. (Luke 2:7a)

Christ came, simply, amid the messiness of life...

Love is not boastful or proud.

The Fields

There were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. (Luke 2:8)

Christ came to the lowly and overlooked...

Love never gives up, never loses faith.

The House

They entered the house and saw the child... they bowed down and worshiped him. (Mt 2:11)

True worship of Christ requires a journey...

Love endures through every circumstance.

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But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love. God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him.

- 1 John 4:8-9

