

MAKE ROOM—Part 2

Luke 2, Matthew 1

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1. All things work for your good because all things work to make you like Jesus (Romans 8:28).
2. Finding favor with God is not always connected with getting the assignment you want (Luke 1:30).
3. *Lk 2:5* The betrothal period was considerably different than it is today.
4. *Mt 1:18* The Bible is very clear, because of the magnitude of the issue, that Mary and Joseph experienced no sexual contact.
5. *Mt 1:18* God brought a monumental challenge into the life of two people who were living righteously. What seemed like a world collapsing was, in reality, God at work.
6. *Mt 1:18* Faith is my response to what God has revealed.
7. *Mt 1:18* Jesus had to have one human parent, or He could not have been human. He had to be divine in origin to be the perfect payment for sin.
8. *Mt 1:19* Joseph would have been careful to observe Old Testament law. In his mind, she was no longer a virgin and was no longer eligible to marry him.
9. *Mt 1:19* We see Joseph's love for Mary in his actions; he was not going to allow her to be publicly humiliated, even though he had been shamed.
10. *Mt 1:20* God has to reminds us of who(se) we are in times of crisis.
11. *Mt 1:20* The child would legally be Joseph's son.
12. According to Luke 1:31-32, Mary was told Jesus' name; in Matthew 1:21, Joseph was told why. Each received a piece to the puzzle, but not the whole. They needed each other to understand.

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