



The Story Of Jesus

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A very long time ago, in a town called Nazareth ruled by a mean King called Herod, there lived a young lady named Mary. Mary was very kind, always worked hard and loved God. She lived with her fiance Joseph who worked as a carpenter and they were very happy together.

One day whilst Mary was cleaning, an angel suddenly appeared and told Mary that God was with her. Mary was surprised and the angel quickly reassured her by saying "Do not be afraid, God has given you the gift of a baby boy, and you are to give him the name Jesus. The Holy Spirit has performed a miracle, and because of this your baby will be called the Son of God." Mary knelt before the angel and felt safe. Just as soon as the angel had appeared it quickly disappeared again.

The angel also visited Joseph that night and told him of this miracle, and Joseph was very proud to have Mary as his wife and to raise baby Jesus as the son of God.

They set off to travel to Bethlehem to register themselves as a family, and it took a very long time to get there as there was no such thing as cars back then and so they travelled by donkey. When they finally reached Bethlehem all of the houses were full and there was nowhere that they could stay. Mary was very tired and due to have her baby very soon, fortunately a kind stranger offered them a place to stay in a barn. It wasn't ideal but it was warm and there was plenty of straw to lay on.

That night Mary had her baby. Baby Jesus was born the Son of God, and the King of Kings, he would change the world. Mary and Joseph lovingly wrapped him in cloth and laid him to sleep in a manger on some soft straw. They were both so very happy that Jesus was healthy and content and cuddled up to sleep.

Some shepherds who lived near Bethlehem were in their field watching over the sheep at night when suddenly a bright light lit up the sky. The light was so bright they had to close their eyes, and when they looked to see what had happened, a beautiful angel was standing in the air just above them with his arms open wide. The shepherds looked on in disbelief, they were too shocked to speak or even run away. The angel said kindly "Do not be afraid. I am here to bring you good news. Today in Bethlehem a baby has been born, He is the one that will save the world. You will know the baby because He will be wrapped in cloths, and laying in a manger." A large group of angels appeared, and they said together, "Glory to God, and peace to all people on earth." The shepherds watched as the angels floated away.

The shepherds were amazed and excited, and wanted to see the baby for themselves. They set off to find him as fast as they could, and once they had arrived at the barn the shepherds fell to their knees filled with joy to have found the Lord. After they left the shepherds shouted in the streets telling everybody about what they had seen, and the arrival of baby Jesus.

Soon after Jesus was born, wise men traveling on their camels noticed a very bright star in the sky. They knew that this star meant that the King of the Jews, the One who would save the world, Jesus, had been born. The news soon spread to the mean King Herod and he got very angry and worried. He wanted to know where this special baby was. He asked the wise men who had seen the star to go to find baby Jesus and to tell him where he was so that he could go to worship him.

The wise men set off to find the baby at night they followed the star to the east. They followed the star until it hung right over the very place where Jesus lay. Jesus lay in his mother Mary's arms, and they bowed down with joy to worship him. They had brought Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh and were of great expense fit for a King. Mary was very thankful and said goodbye to the wise men as they went to find a place to stay nearby.

That night the wise men each had the same dream that they were not to go back and tell King Herod where they had found baby Jesus. King Herod didn't want to worship Jesus, he wanted to get rid of him because he was jealous that this baby would someday be better than him. Cleverly the wise men went home another way so that Herod would not know where they had come from. They decided that they would not tell King Herod anything about what they had seen.

That same night an angel appeared to Joseph in his dream. "Get up," the angel said, "take Jesus and Mary and run away to Egypt where you must stay until I come to you again. Herod is going to search for Jesus to kill him." Joseph immediately got up and woke up Mary, she gently picked up Jesus and they left for Egypt before anyone could see. They were much safer in Egypt, and after the old King Herod finally died an angel appeared to Joseph and told him they could now return to Nazareth where Jesus could grow up.

The story of Christmas is filled with miracles, kindness, and visitors all coming to see a baby King who someday will be the Saviour of the world. The true meaning of Christmas and this special time of year is remembering the story of Jesus, to celebrate being with our loved ones, and to show love and kindness to our neighbours. This tiny baby has changed the world for which we are all grateful.

