

# The Case for Christmas

## Session 3: A Mind-Boggling Proposition

The idea of God becoming human is a mind-boggling proposition, and the virgin birth is at the center of it all.

Matthew 1:18; Luke 1:26-38

### Two Reasons the Virgin Birth is Important

1. It makes it possible for Jesus to be both fully God and fully man.
2. The virgin birth makes it possible for Jesus to be born without 'original sin'.  
*the baby to be born will be holy* -Luke 1:35  
In some manner, the unbroken line of decent from Adam was interrupted by the Holy Spirit's divine conception of Jesus Christ.

Luke's account seems to be based on Mary's account.

Matthew's account seems to be based on Joseph's account.

The Cosmological Argument for the Existence of God

1. Whatever begins to exist has a cause.
2. The universe began to exist at some point in the past.
3. There must be a cause behind the universe.

If I really do believe in a God who created the universe, then for him to create a Y chromosome would be child's play!

-William Lane Craig

Hebrews 4:15

## Session 4: The Prophetic Fingerprint

The ancient prophecies about the coming of the Messiah (Jesus) lead us not only to the place he was born, but also to the very individual himself.

Micah 5:2 predicts the birthplace of Jesus.

### Isaiah 7-11 Contains Several Prophecies About Jesus

Isaiah 7 – Jesus is about to be born.

Isaiah 9 – Jesus already born and declared to be 'mighty God' and the divine King.

Isaiah 11 – Jesus is ruling and reigning in the supernatural power of the Spirit.

Emmanuel = 'God with us.'

Isaiah 53:3-9, 12

The real purpose of Christmas is Easter.

There is no way Jesus could have maneuvered his life to purposely fulfill all the prophecies about himself.

Christmas is not a legend, it is not make-believe, it is not wishful thinking, it is not a fairy tale, it is not mythology, but it is based on a solid foundation of historical truth.

Philippians 2:5-11

