

The Gospel According to the Angel

Matthew 1:20 and Selected Scriptures

1. Stop being afraid.

“But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.” (Matthew 1:20)

“But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your petition has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will give him the name John.” (Luke 1:13)

“The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God.” (Luke 1:30)

“But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people.” (Luke 2:10)

2. The Word of God is true and can be trusted.

“Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: “BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD AND SHALL BEAR A SON, AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME IMMANUEL,” which translated means, “GOD WITH US.” (Matthew 1:22–23)

3. Salvation is only through the miracle born Son of God

“...do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. “She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.” (Matthew 1:20–21)

“And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus. “He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end.” (Luke 1:31–33)



“And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

4. The Gospel is for all people.

“Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city in Galilee called Nazareth,” (Luke 1:26)

“But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” (Luke 2:10–11)

5. Today is the day of salvation.

“For today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” (Luke 2:11)

“for He says, “AT THE ACCEPTABLE TIME I LISTENED TO YOU, AND ON THE DAY OF SALVATION I HELPED YOU.” Behold, now is “THE ACCEPTABLE TIME,” behold, now is “THE DAY OF SALVATION”—” (2 Corinthians 6:2)

6. Peace has come and is found in the person of Jesus Christ.

“Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased.” (Luke 2:14)

7. Nothing is impossible with God.

“For nothing will be impossible with God.” (Luke 1:37)

8. The Gospel must be received in faith.

“And Mary said, “Behold, the bondservant of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word.” (Luke 1:38)