



**CHRISTMAS**

**STORY**

## **Jesus was 32 years old when crucified not 33**

3BC – 2BC (1 yr), 2BC – 1BC (1 yr), 1BC – 1AD (1 yr)  
Jesus is 3 years old in 1AD.

1AD – 30AD (29 years)  
29 years + 3 years = 32 years.

**“Mary or Miriam”** – means rebellion

*From two root words:*

mara – מַרָּה – bitter, or bitterness

meri – מִרְיָ – rebellion

The first, “Miriam”:

mara – מַרָּה – bitter, or bitterness

Born into the harshest period of servitude, Miriam felt the bitterness and ache of her people. Miriam was born at the time when the oppression of the exile had reached its worst.

**So the Egyptians made the children of Israel  
serve with rigor.**

***EXODUS 1:13***

**And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage—in mortar, in brick, and in all manner of service in the field. All their service in which they made them serve was with rigor.**

***EXODUS 1:14***

The second, “Miriam”:

meri – מְרִי – rebellion

I would also submit to you that despite being born into the most difficult period of oppression Miriam rebelled against the slave mentality of her people and held out hope for her redeemer.

“Rejoice” – **χαίρω** – (khah'-ee-ro); a primary verb;

To be "cheerful", i.e. calmly happy or well-off;  
impersonally, especially as salutation (on meeting  
or parting), be well

“Highly favored one” – **χαριτόω** – (khar-ee-to'-o);

To grace, i.e. indue with special honor

“Blessed” – εὐλογέω – (yoo-log-eh'-o);

From a compound of 2095 and 3056; to speak well of, i.e. (religiously) to bless (thank or invoke a benediction upon, prosper):

**And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, “Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!”**

***LUKE 11:27***

**But He said, “More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”**

***LUKE 11:28***

“Favor” – **χάρις** – ( khä'-res)

Grace, benefit, favor, gift graciousness (as gratifying), of manner or act (abstract or concrete; literal, figurative or spiritual; especially the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life; including gratitude): — acceptable, benefit, favor, gift, grace(-ious), joy, liberality, pleasure, thank(-s, -worthy).

**For by grace you have been saved through faith,  
and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,**

***EPHESIANS 2:8***

**Not of works, lest anyone should boast.**

***EPHESIANS 2:9***

“Jesus” – Ἰησοῦς - Iesous, ee-ay-sooce’;

*Of Hebrew origin (H3091);*

Jesus is equivalent to Joshua in the Hebrew

“Joshua” – יְהוֹשֻׁעַ - yeh-ho-shoo’-ah;

God or Jehovah is salvation.

“The highest” – hupsistos, hoop'-sis-tos;

Superlative from the base of 5311; highest, i.e. (masculine singular) the Supreme (God), or (neuter plural) the heavens: — most high, highest.

**But You, LORD, are on high forevermore.**

***PSALMS 92:8***

**Who is like the LORD our God,  
who dwells on high,**

***PSALMS 113:5***

**And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.**

***DANIEL 2:44***

**And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall  
call His name JESUS, for He will save His  
people from their sins.**

***MATTHEW 1:21***

**So all this was done that it might be fulfilled  
which was spoken by the Lord through the  
prophet, saying:**

***MATTHEW 1:22***

**“Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,”  
which is translated, “God with us.”**

***MATTHEW 1:23***

“Overshadow” – **ἐπισκιάζω**

Throw a shadow upon, to envelop in a shadow, to overshadow

The Holy Spirit exerting creative energy upon the womb of the virgin Mary and impregnating it, (a use of the word which seems to have been drawn from the familiar O.T. idea of a cloud as symbolizing the immediate presence and power of God):

“Maidservant” – **δοῦλη** – (doule)

It is the feminine form ("doule") of the Greek word "doulos" - a female slave, bondmaid

## **A VERY PRO LIFE MESSAGE**

Here we have both a Fetus and a Zygote validating each other. The Fetus, John, recognizes the presence of the Zygote, Jesus, and leaps for joy in Elizabeth's womb. Only a person can leap for joy. And if John the Fetus is able to recognize that Zygote, Jesus, that tells me the Zygote is Jesus, That Zygote is a person. John and Jesus validate each other as a person.

**“My soul magnifies the Lord,”**

This is known as..“Magnificat anima mea  
Dominum.” Which means “My soul magnifies  
the Lord.”

**“For those who would learn God’s ways  
humility is the first thing, Humility is the  
second thing and Humility is the third thing.”**

***ST. AUGUSTINE***

# **Jesus Mission: Save His people from their sins**

*The Angel revealed the unborn child's gender, name and mission*

**Gender:** A Son

**Name:** "Jesus" – God saves or God is salvation

**Mission:** To save His people from their sins.

**Is this not the carpenter's son? Is not His  
mother called Mary? And His brothers  
James, Joses, Simon, and Judas?**

***MATTHEW 13:55***

**And His sisters, are they not all with us? Where then did this Man get all these things?**

***MATTHEW 13:56***

**So they were offended at Him. But Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own house.”**

***MATTHEW 13:57***