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A close-up photograph of holly leaves and clusters of bright red berries. The leaves are dark green with sharp, pointed edges. The berries are small and round, clustered together. The background is dark and out of focus.

#Christmas2019



Joseph

This is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother Mary was engaged to be married to Joseph. But while she was still a virgin she became pregnant by the Holy Spirit..

Joseph, her fiancé, being
a **just man** decided to break
the engagement quietly so as
to not to disgrace her publicly

As he considered this he fell asleep and an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream.

‘Joseph, son of David,’ the
angel said. **‘Do not be afraid,**
to go ahead with your
marriage to Mary.

For the child within her has
been conceived by the Holy
Spirit and she will have a Son,
and you will name Him 'Jesus'
for He will save His people
from their sins.'

“Do not be afraid”

All of this happened to fulfill
the Lord's message through
His prophet.

“Look, the virgin will
conceive a child. She will
give birth to a Son and He will
be called Emmanuel meaning
God is with us.”

When Joseph woke up he
did what the angel of the Lord
commanded.

He brought Mary home to be his wife but she remained a virgin until her Son was born and Joseph named Him Jesus.

Matthew 1:18-25

Joseph

Afraid

Mary

And because Joseph
was a descendant of
King David he had to go to
Bethlehem in Judea,
David's ancient home.

He traveled there from the village of Nazareth to Galilee. He took with him Mary his fiancée who was obviously pregnant by this time.

And while they were there
the time came for her baby
to be born. She gave birth to
her first child, a Son.

She wrapped Him snugly in strips of cloth and laid Him in a manger because there was no room for them in the village inn.

Luke 2:5-7

Mary

Uncomfortable

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