

## **John 1:14**

**“And the Word was made flesh,  
and dwelt among us, (and we  
beheld his glory, the glory as of  
the only begotten of the Father,)  
full of grace and truth.”**

**The *incarnation* is “the gracious voluntary act of the eternal Son of God in assuming a human body and a human nature.”**

***The Miracle of the  
Virgin Birth***

**Matthew 1:1-25**

# **1. The Providential Miracle of Christ's Royal Heritage**

**Matthew's purpose is to demonstrate  
that Jesus is the Jewish nation's  
long-awaited Messiah.**

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**2. The Supernatural Miracle of  
Christ's Virgin Birth**

**A. Jesus is said to have been born of Mary, not begotten by Joseph.**

## **Genesis 3:15**

**“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.”**

## **Galatians 4:4**

**“But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, ...”**

- A. Jesus is said to have been born of Mary, not begotten by Joseph.**
- B. Mary became pregnant when she and Joseph were engaged, but living apart from each other.**
- C. Mary was “with child of the Holy Ghost.”**

- D. Joseph knew he was not the father.**
- E. Mary's child was "conceived ... of the Holy Ghost."**
- F. Mary is referred to as "a virgin."**
- G. Joseph ensured that Mary remained chaste until after the birth of Jesus.**