



Synopsis

A snapshot of the chapter

This chapter begins by telling us when and under what circumstances Jesus was born. After his birth, angels appear to shepherds near Bethlehem. Later, Jesus is circumcised and presented to God in the temple. Two older Jewish believers, Simeon and Anna recognize the baby Jesus as the one they had looked forward to coming. After this Jesus is taken to Nazareth where He grows up with His parents. At the age of twelve, Jesus goes to Jerusalem with Joseph and Mary for a Passover feast. When the parents start home, Jesus stays behind and goes to the temple. There he talks to the teachers. They were amazed. After three days, his parents found him and he told them why he had stayed.

Observation—What do you see?

Important Person(s):

Main Event(s):

Study Questions:

- 1. Who was ruling when Jesus was born?*
- 2. Why did they go to Bethlehem?*
- 3. How did the shepherds praise God?*
- 4. What else was done after Jesus' birth? Why were these things done?*
- 5. Explain Jesus' visit to Jerusalem at age 12.*

Questions:

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- 2.
- 3.