

Sermon Title: **“THE VIRGIN BIRTH”**

Matthew 1:18-25

- The way in which the _____ is through the amazing _____ of the virgin birth
 - Instead of proceeding with _____, Joseph intended to secretly sign _____, to reduce public shame
 - “Betrothal” = _____ or _____ (it was an act of setting aside a particular woman for a particular man)
- The Book of _____ starts off by tracing Jesus’ genealogy from _____ eventually to King _____ and finally to _____
- There needed to be a _____ to the throne and as this genealogy in Matthew points out, _____ had a claim
 - Joseph staying in the picture _____ to the throne intact (Jesus was without sin and still _____)
- “Was found” is where we get the term “_____” – this is a cry for joy or satisfaction when one _____ or _____ something
- “Found to be with Child” is a _____ in the Greek, which means this activity occurred _____ of her involvement (she was with child due to NO action of her own)
- “Being a righteous man” this does NOT speak of _____ – this simply speaks of the _____ of Joseph’s life
- “Disgrace” = to openly make a show; to _____; to expose by making a public spectacle, causing intense shame
- _____ has legitimate and legal claim to the Throne of King David (Jesus is the promised _____)