THEME: SALVATION IS HERE

Verses: Matthew 1:21, 1 John 4:10

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ[e] took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed[f] to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. 19 And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.
20 But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

1 John 4:10

10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Introduction

A prediction made by the Angel proves to be God speaking because only God can see what has not yet happened, before ultrasound technology the only way to way the sex of the child was after birth not before, so we can see already that is angel is Godsent. I recently heard a prophet in this nation predicting a couple was going to have a boy but it turned out the child was a girl. This can never happen if you are a prophet speaking on God's behalf.

Body

A Son

The virgin will conceive and bear a son, and shall call him Immanuel Isaiah 7:14

Jesus

This name is hebrew is Jeshua, which means Saviour, we are very fortunate that we don't have to look far for the meaning because it is right here in the verse, He will be called Jesus because "he will save his people from there sins"

Sins

One would ask why do these people need saving? What is Sin? Sin is simply breaking the law of God, missing the mark that God has set for us, it all begins in the garden of Eden. God created all things, and when he rested he said it was good when he created man he said it was very good. However Adam and Eve disobeyed the Lord, sinned against him and gave in to the devil who became their master, so they became slaves to sin and were banished out of the garden, from that point on we discover that even Adam's children are enslaved, their children after them and since we all have a common ancestry, we are all descendants of Adam we find that we are all in bondage to sin. No matter what we do to try and break of the shackles of this slavery we are not able, we are doomed

What are we saved from?

Penalty of Sin- Ezekiel 18:20 "every soul that sins shall die" Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death..."

Power of Sin- John 8:31-36

Presence of Sin - We are saved from the very presence of sin when we come into glory.