

# Complications from the Virgin Birth

Matthew 1:18-25

## I. The Possibility of Mary's Rejection – v18-19

A. The legal case for rejection was A\_\_\_\_\_ - v18.

1. What was the relationship between Mary & Joseph?
2. When did Mary's pregnancy become obvious?  
– Luke 1:36-39 & 56
3. How could Joseph have reacted? – Matthew 1:2-16

B. What were Joseph's options? – v19

1. He was a R\_\_\_\_\_ man  
- Deuteronomy 24:1-4.
2. He was a M\_\_\_\_\_ man.
  - a. The Law of Infidelity – Deuteronomy 22:20-21.
  - b. The Bill of Divorce without Stating Cause  
- Deuteronomy 24:1.
3. What would you have done?

## II The Necessity of God's Revelation – v20-23

A. God honors those who H\_\_\_\_\_ Him!  
- I Samuel 2:20; John 12:26

1. How did God solve this problem?
2. What does God do for those who ponder His will?  
- Matthew 2:12-13 & 27:19

B. What was the revelation?

1. "Joseph, son of David" – v20.
2. "Do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife" – v20.
3. "What is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit" – v20.
  - a. Emmanuel = \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. "Nature shows God A\_\_\_\_\_ us;  
the Law shows God A\_\_\_\_\_ us;  
the Gospel shows God is W\_\_\_\_\_ us!"
4. "You are to give Him the name 'Jesus', because He will  
S\_\_\_\_\_ His people from their sins."  
v21 & Romans 6:23.

## III. The Privilege of Mary's Reinstatement – v24-25

A. What did Joseph do immediately after he heard God speak? – v24

B. Joseph accepted God as H\_\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_\_\_! – v25

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