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Isaiah 7:14	
Immanuel: God With Us Part 2	
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This Morning's Outline:	
➤ Isaiah's prophecy necessitated both a near term and far term fulfillment.	
➤Isaiah really did speak of a virgin!	
➤The virgin birth was necessary for the	
salvation of God's people.	
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The Near Term Fulfillment	
Isaiah 7:14 (NET) For this reason the Sovereign Master Himself will give you a confirming sign.	
Look, this young woman is about to conceive and will give birth to a son. You, young	
woman, will name him <b>Immanuel.</b>	
Genesis 16:11 The angel of the LORD said to her further, "Behold, you are with child, And	
you will bear a son; and you shall call his name Ishmael	

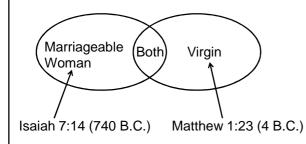
There Must Be A Far Term Fulfillment	
Isaiah 8:8 Then it will sweep on into Judah, it will overflow and pass through, It will reach even to the neck; And the spread of its wings	
will fill the breadth of your land, O Immanuel.	
Isaiah 8:10 Devise a plan, but it will be thwarted; State a proposal, but it will not	
stand, For God is with us.	
There Must Be A Far Term Fulfillment	
Isaiah 9:6-7 For a child will be born to us, <b>a son</b>	
will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; and His name will be	
called Wonderful Counselor, <b>Mighty God</b> , Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be	
no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his	
kingdom,	
There Would Be A Virgin Birth!	
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Look, this <b>young woman</b> is about to conceive and will give birth to a son. You, <i>young</i>	
woman, will name him Immanuel.	
Which term means virgin? Alma, Bethula	

# Is a "Bethula" Really Always a Virgin?

Genesis 24:16 The girl was very beautiful, a virgin, and no man had had relations with her; and she went down to the spring and filled her jar and came up.

<u>Joel 1:8 HCSB</u> Grieve like a young woman dressed in sackcloth, [mourning] for the husband of her youth.

#### How Is Alma Used?



## The Virgin Birth of Christ

Matthew 1:18-19 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly.

## The Virgin Birth of Christ

Matthew 1:20 But when he had **considered** this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

#### The Virgin Birth of Christ

Matthew 1:21-23 "She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which translated means, "God with us."

#### Lesson 1



- ➤ The virgin birth is proof that God is always faithful to His promises, and that Jesus is the only way to be saved!
- ➤If we don't believe it is not because we lack evidence!

Why Was The Virgin Birth Necessary?  God's character necessitated it:  Psalm 89:14a Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne  1 Samuel 6:20a Then the men of Beth-shemesh said, "Who is able to stand before the LORD, this holy God?"  Isaiah 13:11a I will punish the world for its evil and the wicked for their iniquity	
Why Was The Virgin Birth Necessary?  The human condition necessitated it:  Ecclesiastes 7:20 Surely there is not a righteous man on earth who does good and never sins.  Romans 5:12, 19 Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinnedFor as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.	
God Gets Around Our Sinful Condition  Luke 1:35 The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.  Son of God  All Humanity: "Sinned In Adam"	

The Reasons For The Virgin Birth	
We needed a new representative: Atonement – Fully God/Fully Human Righteousness – Fully God/Fully Human	
Hebrews 2:17 Therefore He had to be made like His brothers in every respect, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make <b>propitiation</b> for the sins of the people.	
Lesson 2	
The Savior had to be both fully God and fully man in order for His people to be saved.	
Not fully man: He could not represent us!	
Not fully God: He could not pay for us!	

>Jesus commands "Repent and believe the gospel" Mark 1:15