

Jesus Birth & Childhood Confirmation - Lesson A2

Name: _____

Date: _____

Memory Verse of the Week: "In the beginning was the _____, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God." **John 1:1-2**

The Gospels are a _____ of Jesus life through eyewitness testimonies. They focus primarily on the last 3 years of His life with about _____ concentrating on His last week.

- There are _____ books in the New Testament called Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John and Gospel literally means _____.

They were written by disciples of Jesus (Matthew & John) or those closely associated with followers of Jesus (Mark & Luke) and had specific _____ in mind.

- The first 3 gospels are very similar, we call those _____ (syn = SAME, optic-VIEW).
- **Luke 1:1-3** - "...³ With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus"
- **John 20:31** - "But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."

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Jesus' birth shows the _____ of our King as a humble servant and He enters a messy and challenging situation.

- His _____ - mixture of pillars of the faith Abraham, Isaac, and David and those rejected by society Tamar, Rahab, and Ruth (**Matthew 1, Luke 3**)
- God chooses an unwed _____ as Jesus mother (**Matthew 1:18-19**)
- Jesus is born into very _____ circumstances (**Luke 2:7, Luke 2:22-24**)
- King _____ kills all boys 2 years and younger (**Matthew 2:16**)
- Jesus' family heads to _____, an enemy of the Jewish people (**Matthew 2:13**)
- They eventually return to _____ in Galilee (**Matthew 2:23**)

_____ surrounding Jesus' birth are significant because they were spoken to reveal the Messiah and were out of His control

- **Genesis 12:3, Jeremiah 23:5-6** - Line of Abraham & David
- **Isaiah 7:14** - Virginbirth
- **Micah 5:2** - Born in Bethlehem
- **Hosea 11:1** - Called out of Egypt

Luke 2:29 - 12 year-old Jesus in the Temple is the last thing we hear about Jesus until He is _____

Main Point: The _____ are meant to reveal who Jesus was and why He came to Earth!

Reflection Time- *Use this space to silently reflect on these questions:*

1) Read Luke 2:10-11 *'And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.'* **What does this verse mean to you?**

2) Write out what the 'Gospel' message is that we talked about tonight

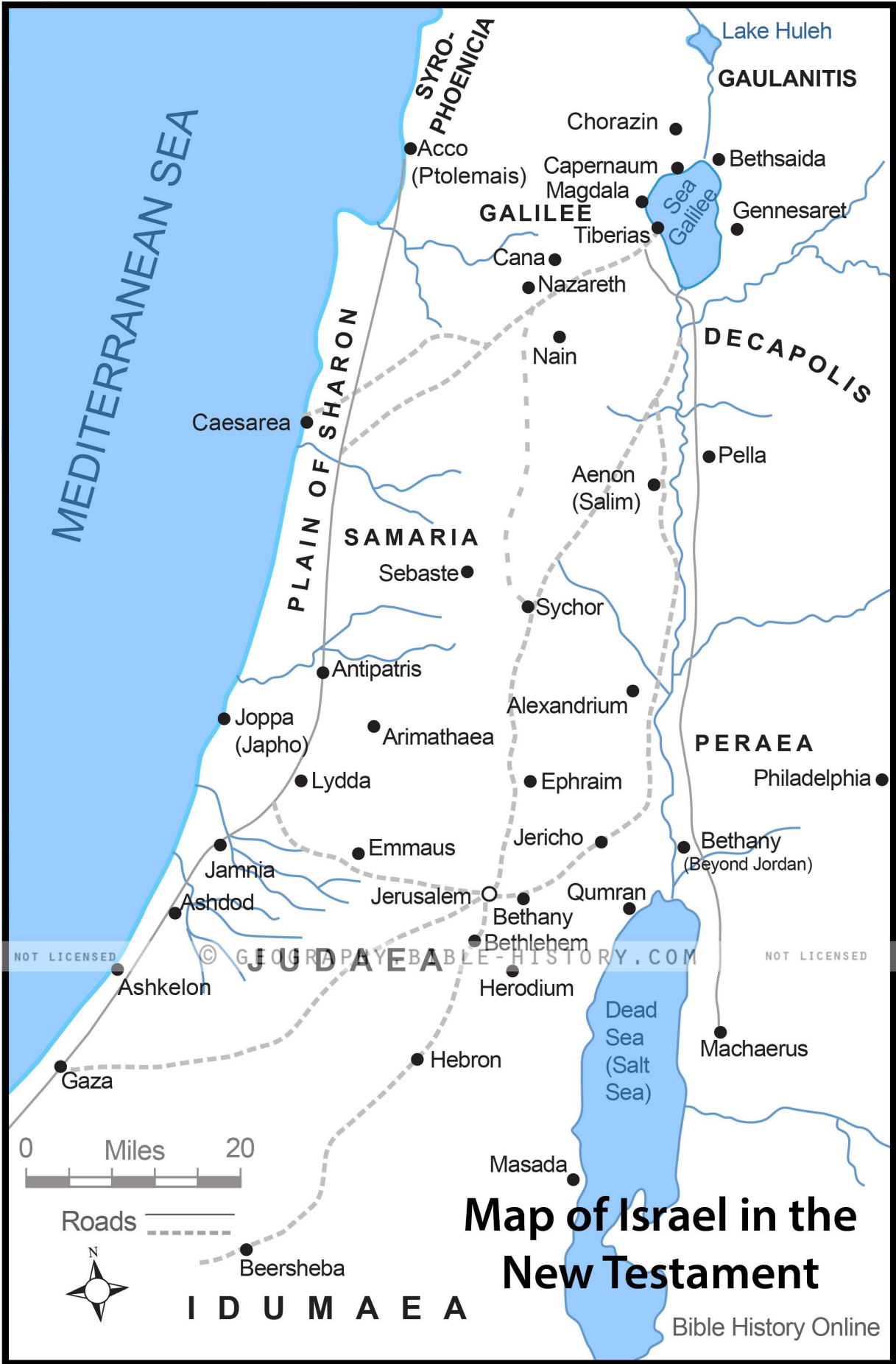
3) What is the most amazing thing to you about Jesus' birth?

4) Describe the circumstances into which Jesus was born and what this says about Him.

5) What questions or doubts do you have about Jesus' birth?

Parent Signature _____

Date _____



Map of Israel in the New Testament

Bible History Online

Relationships between the Synoptic Gospels

