

## SERMON

---

# FINDING HOPE IN JESUS



(MATT 1:18-25)



---

<sup>18</sup> 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. <sup>19</sup> And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly. <sup>20</sup> 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. <sup>21</sup> She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.” <sup>22</sup> Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: <sup>23</sup> “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.” <sup>24</sup> And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took *Mary* as his wife, <sup>25</sup> but kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name Jesus. (NASB)

*(Space for Sermon Notes inside)*

## LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

---

- 1) Share one lesson or insight that the Lord has blessed you with from the sermon.
- 2) Most people have a rigid view of righteousness. Do you find your view of righteousness challenged by the birth of Jesus?
- 3) Do any of the depictions of hope resonate with you? Which one? Why?