

A blue-toned night sky with a bright star at the top, silhouettes of mountains, and a silhouette of the Holy Family in the foreground.

Christmas 2018
The Birth of Jesus Christ



A dark blue, monochromatic night sky with a bright star at the top center. Below the star, the silhouettes of mountains and a nativity scene (Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus) are visible against a lighter blue glow. The text is centered in the upper half of the image.

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The background of the slide is a dark blue night sky with a bright star at the top center, emitting a vertical beam of light. Below the star, the silhouettes of the Holy Family (Mary, Joseph, and the infant Jesus) and three shepherds are visible against a lighter blue glow. The overall scene is set against a backdrop of dark, silhouetted mountains.

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- ❑ As seen in Old Testament prophecy
- ❑ As recorded in the Gospels
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- ❑ As recorded in our Christmas songs

As seen in Old Testament prophecy

"Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel." **Isaiah 7:14**



As seen in Old Testament prophecy

"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, 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, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this." **Isaiah 9:6-7**

As seen in Old Testament prophecy

"But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, *too* little to be among the clans of Judah, from you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, from the days of eternity." **Micah 5:2**



As seen in Old Testament prophecy

“Sacrifice and meal offering Thou hast not desired; My ears Thou hast opened; Burnt offering and sin offering Thou hast not required. Then I said, “Behold, I come; In the scroll of the book it is written of me; I delight to do Thy will, O my God; Thy Law is within my heart.” **Psalm 40:6-8**



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Matthew 1:18-2:11

Luke 2:1-20



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As explained in the New Testament

“But when the fulness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, in order that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.” **Galatians 4:4-5**



As explained in the New Testament

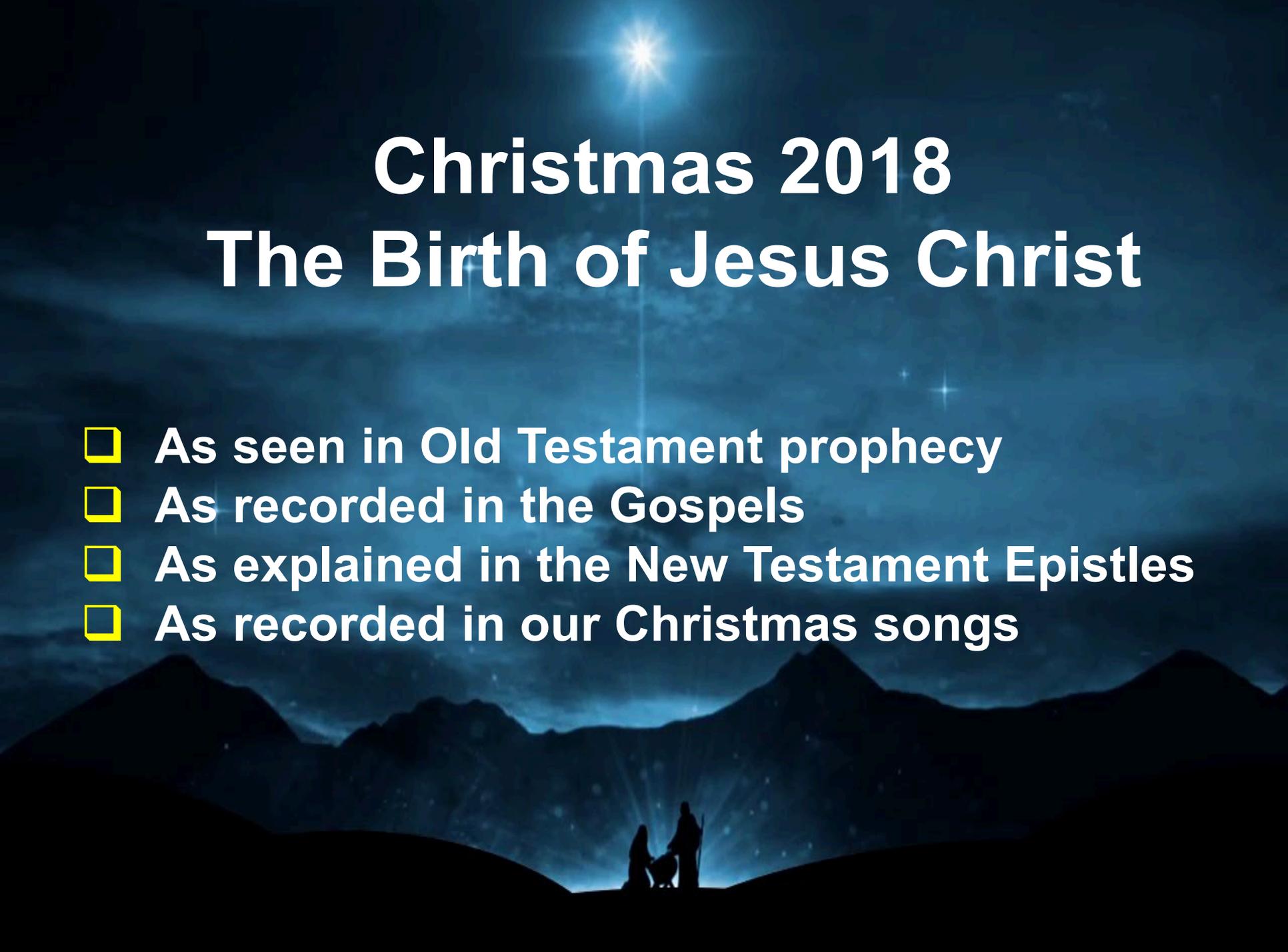
“Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those who are in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:5-11

As explained in the New Testament

“By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” **1 John 4:9-11**



The background of the slide is a dark blue night sky with a bright star at the top center, emitting a vertical beam of light. Below the star, there are silhouettes of mountains and a landscape. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of three figures: a man with a staff, a woman, and a child, standing on a hill. The overall scene is a depiction of the Nativity scene.

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As recorded in our hymns and Christmas songs

- O Come , All Ye Faithful (249)
- O Little Town of Bethlehem (250)
- I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day (267)
- Joy to the World (270)
- Hark the Herald Angels Sing (277)
- O Holy Night (285)