

## Jehovah In A Manger

### LUKE 2:7

7. *And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.*

THE SMYRNAEAN CHURCH AGE [60-1206] ...it ought to be striking! Jehovah!  
Jehovah, over a pile of manure in a barn, crying. Jehovah, in a manger of straw.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS [59-1223] And we were riding last night showing the kiddies all the houses decorated and everything, which is awful nice. But I thought, if I ever had on--anything on my house that I ever wanted to write, would be a neon sign: "Trusting Christ Will Be In Your Christmas." That's right. Put Christ back into Christmas.

### LUKE 2:8-20

8. *And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.*

9. *And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.*

10. *And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.*

11. *For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.*

12. *And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.*

13. *And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,*

14. *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.*

15. *And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.*

16. *And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.*

17. *And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.*

18. *And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.*

19. *But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.*

20. *And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.*

## **MATTHEW 2:1-6**

1. *Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,*
2. *Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.*
3. *When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and **all Jerusalem with him.***
4. *And when he had gathered **all the chief priests and scribes** of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.*
5. *And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet,*
6. *And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.*

WHO DO YOU SAY THIS IS? [64-1227] It even stirred to the Sanhedrin...

## WHY IT HAD TO BE SHEPHERD [64-1221]

So it disturbed the Sanhedrin, and they called for the Scribes to come read. And they read Micah's story, the prophet which said, "*Thou Bethlehem, art thou not the least of all the princes of Judah (the least), but out of thee shall come a governor that shall rule My people, Israel.*" And after the Scriptures being read (and still being vindicated before their eyes), they still didn't accept It, though the Scripture said so.

## A TESTIMONY UPON THE SEA [62-0726]

Think of Jehovah God in a manger crying like a baby. Think of Him playing as a boy. Think of Him building a house out of the very timber that He created.

## THE SMYRNAEAN CHURCH AGE [60-1206]

Jehovah, working in a workshop, sawing wood like a carpenter. Hallelujah! My, oh, my! Jehovah, washing the feet of fishermen.

## A SUPER SIGN [59-1227M]

When that first little toothless mouth opened in that manger, on that first crib--first Christmas morning, in His little manger crib, and the first little yell that went from His voice, that was God crying. Jehovah crying: a man. Come from God; and was man, every whit, man. Come to the world with nothing, but still man. What was He trying to do? What was He purposing?

He cried like a baby in the manger. He played like a boy, on the street. He toiled like a man, but yet He was Immanuel. This is the super Sign: **God dwelling in the creation that He created.**

#### THE GODHEAD EXPLAINED [61-0425B]

...little Jehovah in the teen-age, Jehovah, hanging between heavens and earth with gobs of drunken slobbers and spits of soldiers upon His face. Jehovah dying for His children. Jehovah dying to redeem. Not another person, but God Himself. See? God--that was His office. Why? He's trying to get back to the heart of man.

#### THE DEITY OF JESUS CHRIST [49-1225]

My, this morning, they think of some little object of worship, some little manger out there, some little... And I'm not thinking of that. I'm thinking of Christ, the hope of glory, in our hearts this morning by the Holy Ghost. That's right.

#### WHY LITTLE BETHLEHEM? [58-1228]

I pray Thee, Father God, that You'll be merciful to each of us who are present now, and may we come to Your Bethlehem. "*O come, all ye faithful,*" we've been singing, "*come to Bethlehem.*" Lord, let them see that it's not go to a little city yonder that was once in a symbol, but go to the reality, Jesus Christ, God's Bread and Water of Life.

WHY LITTLE BETHLEHEM? [63-1214] ...realize in yourself that you're nothing but a stinking stable. But welcome, open your doors, when these great big places and inns are turning Him away, open your doors of the manger of your heart and let Jehovah come in to that, and watch what takes place, for He is the Word.

He said, "*If ye abide in Me, and My Word in you.*" He is the Word. Let Him come into you, and watch what takes place. Then ask what you will, and it'll be done for you.

EXPECTATIONS [51-0507] And now, Father, grant tonight that in each heart there will be a manger made or a room made that Jesus of Nazareth might come in...

#### MELCHISEDEC THE GREAT PRINCE AND KING [55-0109M]

Looks pretty bad, but He come to a manger. He will come to any humble heart that'll open up, say, "Yes, Lord Jesus, I believe it."

#### SIRS, WE WOULD SEE JESUS [61-1224]

I want to not go back to a manger in a barn, but I want to make my heart a manger, not for an infant Christ, but a Christ Who is God, Emmanuel.

WHY IT HAD TO BE SHEPHERD [64-1221] ...may their hearts receive joy now, and find like the shepherds of old, in the manger of their heart, the Word, the Messiah; that'll be a-vindicated to them as the Holy Spirit, the Great Shepherd of the day.