

Luke 1:26-38
The Christ-Child's Matchless Superiority
(pt. 2)

INTRO: Why two birth accounts, side-by-side, from the get go?

Luke's purposeful parallelism helps accentuate important points of *similarity* as well as *key differences* between parallel birth accounts of John (Luke 1:5-25) and Jesus (Luke 1:26-38).

This morning we'll highlight 3 Key Differences

A first Key Difference between the parallel birth narratives has to do with

1)

A second Key Difference has to do with

2)

A final Key Difference highlights

3)

For Further Reflection/Application:

Why do you suppose “secularists” no longer what to talk about human history using A.D. and B.C.? What kind of worldview shift might this represent?

Identify others important similarities and key differences that the preacher did not mention the past two weeks?

In the last week/month/year write down 2-3 occasions were you responded like Zacharias (with unbelief). What passages of Scripture are you struggling to receive in faith (and obedience) right now? Have you repented of this sin? What do steps of obedience do you need to begin to take in order to submit your will to His?

Write down at least two occasions when, by the grace of God, you responded like Mary (with courageous faith-Luke 1:37-38).

Why is the virgin birth a fundamental doctrine of the Christian faith? Why did the preacher say there is no gospel apart from this miracle? Do you agree?

How should the matchless superiority of Jesus Christ impact our daily walks, our Christian witness, and our worship? (write down 3-4 specific responses to this glorious truth).

Related Resources:

The Virgin Birth of Jesus Christ- J Gresham Machen

Related Songs:

Come Behold the Wonderous Mystery- Matt Boswell

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence- Fernando Ortega

Fullness of Grace- the Getty's.

Related Biblical Texts:

Romans 5, 1 Corinthians 15, Hebrews 11, Luke 1-2, Colossians 1, Hebrews 1.