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Text: Luke 2:1-7

God's Preparation

Christ's first advent fulfills a long progression of specific prophecies. **Genesis 3:15** predicted a human descendant of Adam and Eve.

Deuteronomy 18:18 - "I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him".

God's covenant with Abraham meant that his offspring, the nation of Israel, had a special relationship to God, and through Abraham's line all the families of the earth would be blessed. **Genesis 12:1–3**

The patriarch Jacob foretold that the Messiah would come from the tribe of Judah. **Genesis 49:10**

God's promise to David was that one day one of David's descendants would reign on his throne forever. **2 Samuel 7:12–16**

Isaiah predicted that Messiah would be born of a virgin. Isaiah. 7:14

Bethlehem was to be the site of Messiah. Micah 5:1-2

Jesus was chosen before the world was created.

1 Peter 1:20 - He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.

God sent Jesus at the right time.

Galatians 4:4 - But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law.

How do we make preparation for Jesus?

Pursue God with all our heart.

Practice a life of righteousness.

Priorities are made to honor God.

Pray often.

Praise Him continually.