

29. Luke traces the genealogy of whom?
30. Mary's genealogy goes back to David, but through whom (as opposed to Solomon)?
31. If there had been a king in Israel at the time of Christ's birth, it would have been whom?
32. Though Jesus had the right to the throne through Joseph, what problem was there (related to Jeremiah 22)?
33. How is the paradox resolved?
34. The final set of prophecies we look at are concerning what?
35. Oftentimes in Old Testament prophecies, the Messiah is seen as a what?
36. How does Peter resolve the paradox of the stone?
37. To those who refuse to believe, Jesus is a smiting stone. But to believers He is a what?
38. The paradox of the stone is resolved depending on how you are related to whom?
39. It is a contradiction to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ while being what?
40. Are you part of the contradiction of Christmas?

## The "Contradictions" of Christmas Selected Scriptures

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **"The 'Contradictions' of Christmas."** Questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What are some contrasts between the first Christmas and Christmas today?
2. One prophet wrote that the Messiah is coming to conquer, then he would turn around and say that the Messiah will be what?
3. A prophet would say that the Messiah will be a king of glory, then he would say that the Messiah will have no beauty and will be a what?
4. One prophet would write that the Messiah will come in judgment, then another would say he would come preaching what?

5. The prophets couldn't figure out who or how anyone could fulfill all the what?
6. How did John the Baptizer respond when Jesus came performing deeds of mercy?
7. Why did Jesus say what He said in response to John's inquiry (in Matthew 11:4-5)?
8. Where do we find the first prophecy of the virgin birth?
9. What is the paradox of that prophecy?
10. Liberal theologians and feminist theologians twist the meaning of Isaiah 7:14 to say that "virgin" simply means what?
11. What other references are references to the virgin birth?
12. Why is "virgin birth" a misnomer?
13. Why does Satan really attack the "virgin birth of Jesus Christ?"
14. Not only has the virgin birth been denied, so as to lose its uniqueness, it has also been what?
15. What is the second paradox about Christmas?
16. What is the prophecy of Isaiah 9:6, which would have stumped Isaiah?
17. Jesus' favorite title for Himself was what?
18. If you have seen Jesus, you have seen whom?
19. The next paradoxical prophecies about Christ are related to what?
20. Micah 5:2 says that the Messiah would come from where?
21. Hosea 11:1 is used to show that Jesus came from where?
22. Isaiah 11:1 is used in a veiled sense to say that the Messiah would come from where?
23. Matthew wrote his gospel to prove that Jesus is the what?
24. In what sense was Isaiah 11:1 fulfilled?
25. What was the fourth area that had to stump the prophets?
26. The title, "Messiah" means what?
27. For Jesus to be King, He had to come through whose line?
28. Matthew traces whose genealogy?