

# Parallel Announcements to Mary (Luke 1) and Joseph (Matthew 1)

## Common features:

- their emotional state
- the appearance of an angel to them
- the angel's comforting words
- the coming son: spiritual conception, birth, naming
- reference to scriptures predicting the event
- end of the supernatural vision
- their obedience

Deut. 19:15 One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: **at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses**, shall the matter be established.

# The Angels Appear to Mary and Joseph

| Luke 1, Mary   | Matthew 1, Joseph   |
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| 27 ... a virgin <b>espoused</b> to a man whose name was <b>Joseph</b> , ... and the virgin's name was <b>Mary</b> .  | 18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother <b>Mary</b> was <b>espoused</b> to <b>Joseph</b> , before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. |
| (v. 29)  | 19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, <b>was minded</b> to put her away privily.   |
| 26 And in the sixth month <b>the angel Gabriel was sent</b> from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, 27 <b>To ... Mary</b> . 28 And the angel came in unto her, and said,  | 20 But while he thought on these things, behold, <b>the angel of the Lord appeared unto him</b> in a dream, saying,   |
| Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. 29 And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and <b>cast in her mind</b> what manner of salutation this should be. | (v. 19)   |
| 30 And the angel said unto her, <b>Fear not</b> , Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.   | Joseph, thou son of David, <b>fear not</b> to take unto thee Mary thy wife: ...   |

# Luke 1:28 Hail, thou that art *highly favored* χαριτόω G5487

Eph. 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 To the praise of the glory of his **grace**, wherein he hath **made us accepted** χαριτόω in the beloved. 7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his **grace**;

# Announcement of the Birth

| Luke 1, Mary   | Matthew 1, Joseph  |
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|  | 20 ... for that which is conceived in her is <b>of the Holy Ghost</b> .  |
| 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and <b>bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS</b> .   | 21 And she shall <b>bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS</b> : for he shall save his people from their sins.  |
| 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. [ <b>Nathan in 2 Sam 7</b> ]  | 22 Now all this was (has been) done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet [ <b>Isa 7:14</b> ], saying, 23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. |
| 34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? 35 And the angel answered and said unto her, <b>The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee</b> , and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. | (v. 20)  |

# Luke 1:32-33 as Synopsis of 2 Samuel 7

| 2 Sam 7  | Luke 1   |
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| 8 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel: 9 And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies out of thy sight, and have made thee a <b>great</b> name, like unto the name of the <b>great</b> men that are in the earth. | 32 He shall be <b>great</b> ,  |
| 14 I will be his father, and <b>he shall be my son</b> .   | and shall be called the <b>Son of the Highest</b> :                          |
| 12 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up <b>thy seed</b> after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build an house for my name, and <b>I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever</b> .   | and the Lord God shall give unto him <b>the throne of his father David</b> : |
| 8 ... to be ruler over my people, over <b>Israel</b> : ... 10 Moreover I will appoint a place for my people <b>Israel</b> , ... 11 And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people <b>Israel</b> ,  | 33 And he shall reign over <b>the house of Jacob for ever</b> ;              |
| 13 ... I will stablish the throne of his kingdom <b>for ever</b> . 15 But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee. 16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established <b>for ever</b> before thee: thy throne shall be established <b>for ever</b> .   | and of his kingdom there shall be <b>no end</b> .                            |

# Obedience

| Luke 1, Mary   | Matthew 1, Joseph  |
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| 38 And Mary said,<br>Behold the handmaid of<br>the Lord; <b>be it unto me<br/>according to thy word.</b><br>And <b>the angel departed</b><br>from her. | 24 Then Joseph <b>being raised from sleep<br/>did as the angel of the Lord had bidden<br/>him</b> , and took unto him his wife: 25 And<br>knew her not till she had brought forth her<br>firstborn son: and he called his name<br>JESUS. |

Luke 1:38, the handmaid δούλη G1399 of the Lord

Joel 2:29 And also upon the servants and upon the  
**handmaids** in those days will I pour out **my spirit**.

1Sam. 1:11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts,  
if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of **thine handmaid**, and  
remember me, and not forget **thine handmaid**, but wilt give  
unto **thine handmaid** a man child, then I will give him unto the  
LORD all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come  
upon his head.