

Christ is born!

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BORN!



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HIM!

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"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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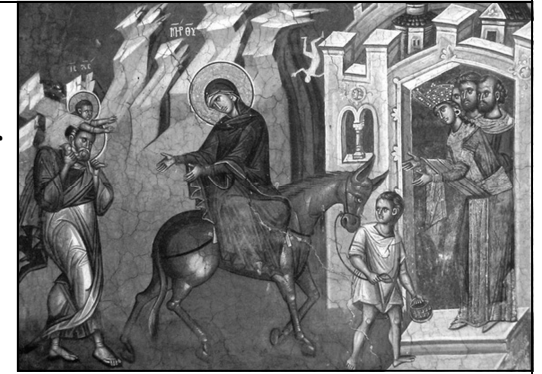
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Where is Jesus from?

Have you ever met somebody new? When we meet somebody, you might get asked, "What's your name?" or "Where are you from?" or "Where do you live?" When we want to know more about somebody, it's important to know where he or she came from.



In today's Gospel we hear something about where our Lord, Jesus Christ is from! We know that Jesus was born in Bethlehem, but today we hear about how, when Jesus was a little child, He went with His family to Egypt. Then, when it was safe for Him to come back, He lived in a town called Nazareth. Lots of people wanted to know "Where is Jesus from?" Well, He lived in Bethlehem, Egypt, and then Nazareth.

These places are important because the prophets had written about them long, long before Jesus was even born! The prophet Micah wrote that a ruler would come from Bethlehem. The prophet Hosea wrote that God's Son would come out of Egypt. And other prophets wrote about the savior coming from Nazareth.

So, long before Jesus was born, the Scriptures said the savior would come from three different places. And today, when we ask "Where is Jesus from?" we know He came from all three!

WORD SEARCH

Can you find these words in the jumble?

BETHLEHEM
DAVID
EGYPT
JESUS
KING
LYRE
NAZARETH
PROPHET
PSALMS

T B G P C Q E Y Q B T U Q M M
E Y J W U H V G S N M F D P M
H W R V D W T Z Y G B S O C A
P N K F E K D E V P K K A N L
O D A V I D G C R Y T U Q S U
R D F N J X T T B A J G V F T
P S G X A T V I O Z Z O X R D
M E H E L H T E B T R A T F F
S T C Z J X L X W Z U G N T M
U X D R V N P S V V Z W F L J
L J O E T O M E R Y L P F Q J
D E Z I J L X M W G I J U P T
U S K U A Z S E W N U Z J N M
D U O S I P P Y E B F D N N S
O S P D J H P U C D D D S U Z

What's in an icon?

In most icons, you see King David with a crown and a scroll with words from the book of Psalms.

But here, you see him with a lyre (like a harp) instrument. That's because he played it for King Saul!



HOLY PROPHET DAVID WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT HIM?



Have you ever read a biography? Let's say you learned about a president. You might find out where he went to school, what he did before he became president, and then what he did as president. Biographies are interesting because we like to find out how somebody grew to be a great person.

But today we celebrate a saint who has one of the most interesting biographies of all! David was a shepherd. He sang and played the harp too. He killed the great Goliath

with his slingshot. He worked for King Saul and became his friend. Then David even became king himself! He didn't always do the right thing, but he asked God to forgive him and he became close again with God.

We can read about King David in the Bible, and we can pray with the beautiful psalms (songs) that he wrote in the Bible. We hear these words in our church services too! We call David a prophet, because the psalms tell us things that God wanted His people to hear.

We celebrate David today because he was a relative of Christ, and of course we celebrated His birth just a few days ago!

We celebrate St. David today, the Sunday after Christmas.