

The Virgin Birth and The Power of The Holy Spirit!

KJV Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

It was prophesied 700 years before Christ birth He would be born of a virgin.

The word **virgin** here refers to a woman of marriageable age who is not married and therefore sexually pure.

What's the big deal about a **virgin birth**?

During intercourse there is an obvious physical transaction that takes place.

But there is also an **emotional**, **psychological** and **spiritual** transaction that takes place.

The combination of the seed of the man and the egg of a woman produce children.

As a result children carry 50% of their mother's genes and 50% of their father's genes.

Our genes carry our family history! It's unavoidable and undeniable!

Basically **genes** carry the recipe for all life on earth.

They build bones, enable muscles to move, control digestion, keep your heart beating and determine our gifts, skills and destiny.

ESV Matthew 1:18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way.

When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

19 And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.

*20 But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, **for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.**"*

The angel (Gabriel) told Joseph the **seed, DNA and genes** of Jesus would be from The Holy Ghost.

Although both father and mother contribute 50% of the genes to a child more than 60% of the fathers are dominate.

Jesus was Mary's son because He was Human, had flesh and bone!

But Jesus was also God's Son—carrying the history of God in His blood

Jesus was carrying the recipe for eternal life in His blood!

Jesus was carrying God's DNA so everything that was in God was in Him.

Every possible potential God has was now in a man—Christ Jesus!

➤ **The virgin birth was necessary not just for Christ sake, but for every born again believer!**

➤ **This is where we get the power of The new birth!**

Without it we're just ordinary people shouting extraordinary words!

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

The virgin birth makes the new birth possible and powerful!

Because we have the DNA of God working in us we have the history and the ability of God!

Because we have the DNA of God in our veins we have the recipe for life eternal—things can come back to life when we're around.

We don't have those old tendencies and desires plaguing us—we have the desires of The Father in our hearts and minds.

"I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does". (John 5:19)

The new birth produces new life, a new destiny and a new purpose!

ESV 1 John 3:9 No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him, and he cannot keep on sinning because he has been born of God.

It's no longer in our **nature/DNA** to keep sinning; because of the new birth we have the DNA of God!

We immediately want to do good healing all who are oppressed of the devil. (Acts 10:38)

Because we have God's seed in us just like Jesus—we are conceived of The Holy Spirit!

ESV Matthew 16:13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "*Who do people say that the Son of Man is?*"

14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

16 Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

17 And Jesus answered him, "*Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.*"

Another way to say this is “not by power (Peter’s own ability), nor by might (the authority of others) but by supernatural power of God Peter are you able to recognize who I am!”

Truly knowing Jesus has always been a supernatural revelation!

It takes The Holy Spirit to reveal spiritual things!

1 Corinthians 2:14 The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.

People have for centuries explained and defended Jesus as The God man Fully God and fully human—which is true.

We have grown fond to making Jesus more and more like us, instead of us making ourselves more and more like Him—reducing Him to mere mortal status.

Quoting the scripture--^{KJV} *Hebrews 4:15* For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities;

❖ **But there is so much more to Jesus Christ!**

He is more than a man for He was not conceived like any other man!

He is more than a man for He was not born like any other man!

He is more than a man for He did not live like any other man!

This is why The apostle Paul tells us in *ESV 2 Corinthians 5:16* From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though

we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer.

People in Paul's time loved to go around saying how they knew Jesus, had personally heard him preach and teach.

They used this to gain the people trust because this made them special.

Paul never physically saw Jesus; he didn't walk with Jesus as the other disciples had.

Paul's knowledge of Christ wasn't physical (according to the flesh) it was deeper because it was by The Spirit!

ESV 1 Corinthians 2:9 But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"

10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

Paul says what can be known and understood as truly from God can only come from The Spirit of God!

Man has no power in and of himself to reveal or demonstrate anything from God or about God!

*KJV Zechariah 4:6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, **Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.***

Why the virgin birth?

John 3:5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Without it we cannot have the new birth or the power of The Holy Spirit!