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## **Our Christ**

*Luke 2:1-20*

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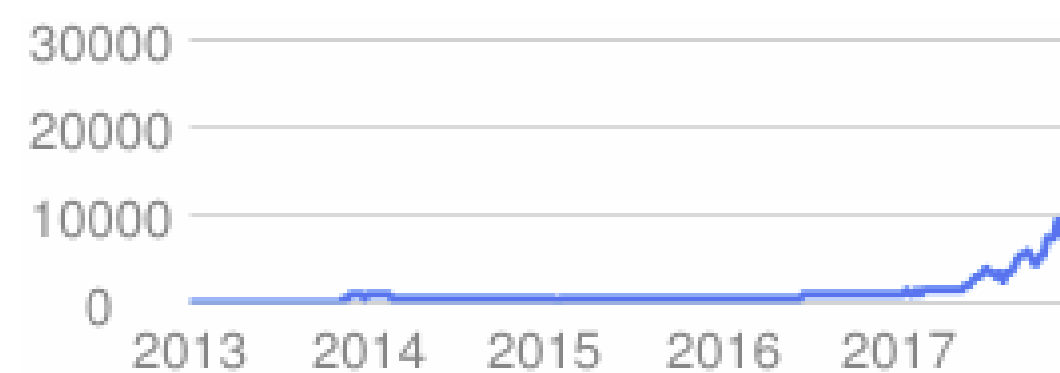




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## Bitcoin

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**Our Lord Jesus Christ**



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**Our Christ**

*Luke 2:1-20*





# The Story





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**Luke 2:10–11 (NIV84)**

**10 But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.**



# The Story





# The Expectations



**The Christ (Messiah)??????????**



# The Expectations

<sup>2</sup> The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One. **(Messiah - Christ)**  
Psalm 2:2 (NIV84)

<sup>8</sup> Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession. <sup>9</sup> You will rule them with an iron scepter; you will dash them to pieces like pottery.” Psalm 2:8–9 (NIV84)



# The Expectations

<sup>13</sup> “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. <sup>14</sup> He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed. Daniel 7:13–14 (NIV84)



# The Expectations

<sup>2</sup> “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.” Micah 5:2 (NIV84)

<sup>4</sup> He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they will live securely, for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth. <sup>5</sup> And he will be their peace. ...Micah 5:4–5 (NIV84)





# The Response

## **The Religious rulers and people of Jerusalem**

<sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. Matthew 2:3 (NIV84)



# The Response

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<sup>63</sup> But Jesus remained silent. The high priest said to him, “I charge you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the **Christ**, the Son of God.” <sup>64</sup> “Yes, it is as you say,” Jesus replied. “But I say to all of you: In the future you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.” <sup>65</sup> Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, “He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? Look, now you have heard the blasphemy. <sup>66</sup> What do you think?” “He is worthy of death,” they answered. Matthew 26:63–66 (NIV84)



# The Response

## **The Chief Priests:**

John 19:15 (NIV84)

<sup>15</sup> But they shouted, “Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!”  
“Shall I crucify your king?” Pilate asked. “We have no king but Caesar,”  
the chief priests answered.



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# What do we learn?

# Two Issues



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## Timing

Isaiah 61:1–2 (NIV84)

<sup>1</sup> The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me **(make Him the Christ - Messiah )** to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, <sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor

**(So far 2000 year gap)**

and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,



# Two Issues

## Personal Status

<sup>23</sup> On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. <sup>24</sup> When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. “Sovereign Lord,” they said, “you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. <sup>25</sup> You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David: “ ‘Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? <sup>26</sup> The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against his Anointed One **(The Christ)**.’ <sup>27</sup> Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. <sup>28</sup> They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. Acts 4:23–28 (NIV84)



# Two Issues

