

A Very Vintage Christmas Lessons from Jesus Christmas Eve

Luke 2:1-7

2 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. 2 This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. 3 And all went to be registered, each to his own town. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, 5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. 6 And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Lessons from the example of Jesus:

Jesus embodied humility

- "She gave birth to her firstborn son" (v. 7).
- "5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but <u>emptied himself</u>, by taking the form of a <u>servant</u>, being <u>born</u> in the <u>likeness of men</u>" (Philippians 2:5–7).
- Jesus, the divine Son of God, embodied humility by taking on humanity

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- "She laid him in a manger"
- "because there was no place for them in the inn"
- "8 And being found in human form, he <u>humbled</u> himself by becoming obedient to the point of <u>death</u>, even death on a cross" (Philippians 2:8).
- Jesus' whole life, from manger to grave, was marked by genuine humility.

The birth of Jesus demonstrates the humility Jesus embodied and modeled.

- Worship our humble Jesus
- Follow our humble Jesus