## GOD VISITS: JOSEPH

Matthew 1:18-25

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## The New Testament

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Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

& II Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

I & II Thessalonians

I & II Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

I & II Peter

I, II, & III John

Jude

Revelation

Worship is not dependent on <u>AEP</u>.

Have you ever had a <u>dream</u> that you knew was a holy encounter/a God visit?

- In Matthew 1:18-24 what is obvious?
- I. The optics were not good.
  - A. There was nothing that <u>looked</u> good.
  - B. For them, engagement carried the <u>legal</u> weight of marriage.

- II. Joseph's heart was <u>pure</u>, but the situation seemed to demand a response <u>from him</u>.
  - A. He had the legal right to divorce her loudly:
    - Yet Joseph chose to show mercy.
    - He was unwilling to <u>shame</u> her.
  - B. This mercy for Joseph could not have felt like mercy to <u>Mary</u>: she had done <u>nothing</u> wrong.

- III. But <u>God</u>: an angel spoke to Joseph in a dream.
  - A. When God <u>intervenes</u> we better be listening.
  - B. Joseph's dream was <u>vivid</u>.
  - C. Then Joseph woke up.

Are you trying to decide if you will say Yes to what you know is of God?

How can we pray for you?

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