God's Christmas Cards

"An Impossible Birth Announcement"

Isaiah 7:14-17 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. 15 He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. 16 For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. 17 The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria."

Because God made seemingly impossible promises concerning the birth of Christ and kept them with wonderful detail, you can trust Him and find comfort in His future promises concerning the gift of His Son

I. God's Christmas Card to Us Predicts the Birth of a Son - Now that IS difficult

1. Difficult but possible -50/50 chance

2. But IT IS Important -

Prophet – Deut 18:18 - Acts 3:20-23 Priest - Psalm 110:4 - Heb 6:20 King – Is 9:6-7 - Matthew 27:11

II. God's Christmas Card to Us Also Predicts a Virgin would be the mother – "Impossible"

1. Not only difficult but impossible -

2. But does the NT teach the Virgin Birth Matthew 1:22-23 Matthew 1:18 Luke 1:35

3. Why Is the belief in the Virgin Birth so important?

III. God's Christmas Card to Us Also Predicts the Virgin Will Call her Son Immanuel" -That's just plain wrong !!!

1. It is not difficult to know name of a child before birth even 735 years,

2. It is not only difficult but Impossible to know a persons "Nickname"

3. The meaning of the nickname

But why necessary?