

The participants in Jesus' birth

I. Zechariah Luke 1:5- 25

- A. Zechariah was a priest.
- B. Zechariah was childless.
- C. Zechariah was old.
- D. Zechariah doubted and faced consequences.
- E. Zechariah believed.

II. Mary Luke 1:26- 55

- A. Mary was a young virgin.
- B. Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph.
- C. Mary was greatly troubled.
- D. Mary submitted to God's plan.

III. Joseph Matthew 1:18- 25

- A. Joseph was from the line of David.
- B. Joseph was devastated by shattered dreams.
- C. Joseph changed his plans and trusted and obeyed God's plan.

IV. The shepherds Luke 2:8- 28

- A. The shepherds were lowly workers.
- B. The shepherds were terrified.
- C. The shepherds hurried off and found Jesus and shared the good news.