

Christmas in three words
1. Historical (Luke 2v1-7)

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Introduction

- The first Christmas?
- **Three facts** about Jesus' birth:

It is HISTORICAL (v1-3)

- Real events
- Real people

It is ROYAL (v4-5)

- God's promised king
 - The line of David (2 Sam. 7:12-13, Is. 9:7)
 - The town of David (Micah 5:2)

It is HUMBLE (v6-7)

- Placed in a manger
- No room at the inn

Conclusion

Luke 2v1-7 (NIV)

¹ In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. ² (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³ And everyone went to his own town to register.

⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.

⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.