The Royal Family

Luke 1:26-35

Introduction:

- A. Great interest in royal families in many countries.
 - 1. England and Diana.
 - 2. Monaco and Grace.
 - 3. Jordan and Nor.
- B. Greater interest among Christians in the family of the "King of the Jews."

Discussion:

I. The King's Family Tree.

- A. Abraham (Matt. 1:1; Gen. 12:3)
- B. Jesse (Matt. 1:5; Isa. 11:1-11)
- C. David (Matt. 1:6; Jer. 23:5-6; Psa. 132.11; Acts 2:29-36)

II. The King's Mother.

- A. A virgin (vv. 26, 27, 34-36; Matt. 1:18, 22-25; Isa. 7:14).
 - 1. Modernists efforts to make virgin = "young woman" in Isaiah is absurd.
 - 2. Did Mary lie? (Luke 1:34).
 - 3. Did Matthew and Luke falsify their report?
 - a. If wilfully, should be rebuked for lying?
 - b. If ignorantly, should be rebuked for irresponsible reporting.
 - c. If deceived or incompetent, should be pitied, but rejected.
 - d. If modernists says he respects Bible, should be ashamed for respecting such men.
 - 4. Not a perpetual virgin
 - a. "Til" implies Joseph knew her after Jesus was born (Matt. 1:25)
 - b. She had other children (Matt. 13:55-56)
 - 5. An example of purity for young people (Lk. 1:34)
 - a. Flee fornication (1 Cor. 6:18).
 - b. Flee youthful lusts (2 Tim. 2:22).
- B. A highly favored woman (Lk. 1:28, 30)
 - 1. But, one in need of a Savior a sinner (Lk. 1:47)
 - 2. An object of respect, but not worship (cf. Acts 10:25-26)
- C. A woman of faith.
 - 1. Her honest question? (v. 34)
 - 2. Received the divine answer (vv. 35-37).
 - 3. Faith is produced (v. 38).

III. The King's Supposed Father (Lk. 3:23).

- A. A just/righteous man (Matt. 1:19).
 - 1. Could have publicly humiliated her, but chose mercy (cf. Matt. 5:7).
 - 2. Should not publicly expose sinner unless circumstances demand it (cf. 1 Tim. 5:20; 3 Jno. 9)
- B. An obedient man (Matt. 1:24).
 - 1. What Faith!
 - 2. Faith must act (Gal. 5:6).

IV. The King's Other Family.

- A. Those who do the will of God (Mk. 3:31-35).
- B. Joint-heirs with The King of Kings (Rom. 8:17).

Conclusion:

A. What is your relationship to the King?

child of God?