Cayucos Community Church Sermon Notes: 12-18-2022, Pastor Dale James

Journey to the Manger, pt 3

A case of mistaken identity

Back to math class: a study in probability

 $1 \times 10^{17} = 100,000,000,000,000,000$

The visualization

Prophetic signposts

Born of a virgin

Isaiah 7:14

Matthew 1:18-23; Luke 1:26-35

From the tribe of Judah, the line of David

Genesis 49:8-10

Matthew 1:1-3, Hebrews 7:14, Revelation 5:5

Precision

His name would be called Immanuel

Isaiah 7:14

Matthew 1:22-25

Born in Bethlehem

Micah 5:2

Matthew 2:1-6

Destroy Satan & his works

Genesis 3:14,15

Hebrews 2:14; 1 John 3:8

Let's RECAP why these predictions matter:

- 1. **Certainty**: They clearly identify a singular person in history that fulfilled them = Jesus of Nazareth
- 2. **Veracity**: They affirm the truth of Scripture & trustworthiness of God's words on this & all matters which it addresses.
- 3. **Assurance**: what God prepared & declared regarding Jesus' birth continues in His life, sacrificial death, and power to save the lost.
- 4. **Capability**: It underscores God's wisdom & power to accomplish whatever He chooses.

Take it home – your journey