

"The Dreamer"

• Text: Matt. 1:18-2:23

- God needed a vessel to fulfill His Word.
- Joseph was that vessel. How highly does that speak of him?
- What can we learn from the example of this man?

- Analysis of Joseph's four dreams:
- #1- Marry Mary and name the child Jesus.
- #2- Move to Egypt.
- #3- Move back to Israel.
- #4- Move to Nazareth.

• What do the accounts of these dreams demonstrate about Joseph?

•He Fulfilled Scripture-

- Through prophecy- Matt. 1:22; 2:15,17,23
- Through his practices- Luke 2:39

•He Served Jesus-

- Father- his life was built around Jesus
- Disciple(unknowingly)- John 1:1,14- Every precept he followed was a command from his son.

• What do the accounts of these dreams demonstrate about Joseph? (cont.)

•He Obeyed God-

• Married Mary despite the social stigma.

• Named his child Jesus.

• Moved where he was told.

He saved Jesus so Jesus could save him!!!

God was in control of every aspect of his <u>life!</u>