

Christmas

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"We Need a Little Hope"

THE STORY OF JOSEPH:

Matthew 1:18-25 (ESV)

Official Arrangement of the Betrothal

Three Types of Gifts Exchanged:

1. The bride _____
2. The _____
3. The bridegroom's _____ to the bride

What Happened in the year of waiting?

The Groom Was Building

1. He was building their future _____
2. He'd likely spend that time building into his means to _____ his new wife and eventual family
3. He was building _____

- **After a year of betrothal came the formal _____**

The proper marriage would take place

Joseph had no idea that Mary was _____

Matthew 1:18 (ESV)

- **When Joseph wakes up he _____ God**

Matthew 1:25 (NIV)

- **At the point of Joseph's obedience, he doesn't just take**

Mary as his wife, he's accepting the role as the

_____ of her son to come

THREE THINGS WE LEARN FROM JOSEPH:

1. Joseph gives an example of _____ our priorities
2. Joseph upheld the Law with _____
3. Joseph's _____ to God trumped his suspicion