

Is the Virgin Birth Possible?

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BIG IDEA

The virgin birth isn't an irrational claim, it's a worldview claim. If God is real, present, and able, then nothing is impossible with Him.

KEY SCRIPTURES

Genesis 18:14; Isaiah 7:14; Jeremiah 29:13; 32:17; Matthew 1:18,20,21,23,25; Mark 6:3; Luke 1:27,34-35,37; John 8:41; Romans 4:17; Galatians 4:4-5; Ephesians 3:20-21

1. When you consider your own worldview "map," where do you tend to draw the line between possible and impossible?
2. How does the announcement in Matthew 1:20—that what is conceived in Mary is "from the Holy Spirit"—shape the way you understand God's involvement in everyday life?
3. Mary asks, "How will this be?" (Luke 1:34). What does her honest question teach us about bringing sincere confusion or hesitancy before God?
4. Isaiah 7:14 calls the virgin birth a sign. How do you discern the difference between demanding a sign and recognizing one God is already giving?
5. The Gospels don't hide the social cost Mary and Joseph faced (Mark 6:3; John 8:41). How does their willingness to embrace discomfort in sharing God's "unbelievable actions" challenge the way you think about obedience that leads to misunderstanding?
6. Galatians 4:4-5 ties Jesus' origin to His mission. How does the virgin birth deepen your understanding of what Jesus came to do?
7. Across the Scriptures listed—Genesis 18:14, Jeremiah 32:17, and Luke 1:37—we see a repeated biblical pattern: God makes possible what human beings call impossible. How does that pattern invite you to reconsider the "impossible" situation in your own life that you've quietly stopped praying about or believing could change? Where do you find yourself limiting what God can do because of past experiences, disappointments, or assumptions?
8. Which part of the sermon challenged your assumptions most—questions of biology, ancient credibility, or theological importance—and why?