

"But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him **IN** a dream, saying, 'Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is **Conceived IN Her** is **OF The Holy Ghost**. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name **JESUS**: for He shall save His people **FROM** their sins." **Matthew 1:20-21 KJV**



Prepositions communicate relative position. These words, though small, have great depth of meaning. For example: I could say "There is a Christmas present for you." Or I could say, "Your gift is **BY** the tree, red paper is **ON** the box, a figurine is **IN** the box, and it is made **OF** ceramic." The second statement communicates an exact image with little doubt or supposition. You know the exact nature of the item. The Word of God says the Conception of Christ was **IN** Mary, but it was "**OF the Holy Ghost**." The Conception of Christ was "immaculate" because it had absolutely nothing to do with Mary or Joseph other than they were chosen vessels for God's service. The "**Last Adam**" was fashioned in eternity, created in Holy perfection "*without spot or blemish,*" and there was no genetic taint of human depravity involved in the Christ Child's creation. You may quickly say, "But Jesus got his nourishment from Mary." Yes and yours comes from the dirt. Your point would be...what? It was vital that Jesus be completely sinless. Otherwise, His death could not have atoned for sin. It was imperative God create human form like the "**First Adam**," but without sin, so God, Himself inhabited the "**last Adam. In Him (Christ) dwelleth ALL the fulness of the Godhead, BODILY.**" Did you think that Jesus was less than God? He is, was, and shall forever be, God! He was all God and all human congruently. "Impossible!" you may say. Nay, "*but with God nothing shall be impossible. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His Glory, the Glory as of The Only Begotten of the Father,) full of Grace and Truth.*" God made His own Body. Human form was necessary for an eternal God to die. It is the perfect object lesson to all believers of exactly what they can expect upon their death. God's Body died or separated from Life, but God never ceased being. His Body was then resurrected and glorified after three days as He had declared. It is capable of inhabiting both spiritual and physical dimensions simultaneously. God's Plan was flawlessly executed. It was laid out before the first atom was ever breathed into existence, and has never been out of line, off track, or behind schedule and is still being divinely executed. Everything God does is a planned miracle! Jesus will exist in glorified human form for eternity as ever-present, visible proof of our eternal security. As far as Mary is concerned... I wonder what it was like having the perfect child? "*But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.*"

It's down. It's up. It's in. It's out.  
These tiny words are cast about,  
The meaning caught between the lines,  
Reveals a wondrous Truth, Divine. ~CGP

Isn't it wonderful to know that while believers may be **IN** the world, they are not **OF** the world! Jesus came for a specific reason. Glory will come when we're done. If Jesus had been **OF** Mary, we would still be Hell-bound. Believers are "*ambassadors FOR Christ.*" Get busy "*WITH the KING'S business!*"

*"I pray not that thou shouldest take them out OF the world, but that thou shouldest keep them FROM the evil. They are not OF the world, even as I am not OF the world. Sanctify them THROUGH Thy Truth: Thy Word is Truth." John 17:15-17 KJV*