

Caesar Augustus

"And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered."

Luke 2:1



Zacharias

"But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John."

Luke 1:13



Elizabeth

"And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit."

Luke 1:41



Mary & Joseph

"The virgin's name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

Luke 1:27-28



Shepherds

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly hosts praising God and saying: Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth, peace, goodwill toward men."

Luke 2:13-14



Wise Men

Behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

Matthew 2:2



Herod

When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

Matthew 2:2



Simeon

Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

Luke 2:25-26



Anna

And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.

And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

Luke 2:36,38



Jesus

"And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped HIm in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

Luke 2:7





By Charles Wesley

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By Thine own eternal spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit,
Raise us to thy glorious throne.