"Trust and Obey" Matthew 1:18-25

- I. Joseph before the angel's message (v. 18-19)
  - A. Joseph was engaged to Mary

Picture #1

B. Joseph found out that Mary was pregnant

Picture #2

C. Joseph did not believe Mary's story

Picture #3

- D. Joseph was a righteous man
- E. Joseph extended mercy to Mary

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." (Matthew 5:7)

- II. The angel's message to Joseph (v. 20-23)
  - A. He was commanded to take Mary as his wife
  - B. He was commanded to name the baby boy Jesus
  - C. He was told the baby was from the Holy Spirit

"The angel answered, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one born will be called the Son of God." (Luke 1:38)

D. He was told the baby will save people from their sins

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you: he is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11)

- E. He was told the baby will be God with us
- III. Joseph after the angel's message (v. 24-25)
  - A. Joseph believed God's word

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." (Hebrews 11:1)

B. Joseph was <u>obedient to God</u>

Picture #4

C. Joseph became a father for Jesus

Picture #5

D. Joseph experienced a <u>faith adventure</u>

\*Picture #6