The Little Town of Bethlehem! Miracles, Pt. 3 Luke 2:1-7, Micah 5:2

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Luke 2:1, In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world... 3 And everyone went to their own town to register. 4 So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. 5 He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. 6 While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, 7 and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

Micah 5:2, "But you, <u>Bethlehem Ephrathah</u>, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose <u>origins are from of old</u>, from <u>ancient times</u>."

John 5:39, You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. <u>These are the very Scriptures that testify about me</u>, **40** yet you <u>refuse</u> to come to me to have life.

<u>Proverbs 19:21</u>, Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.

The Little Town of Bethlehem Reminds Us...

1. **GOVERNMENTS** Have Plans

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2. PEOPLE Have Plans

Luke 2:4, 4 So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to **Bethlehem** the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.

3. GOD Has the Ultimate Plan

Luke 2:5, He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. 6 While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, 7 and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.