

Word Wednesday Lesson 4: Nativity – Luke 2:1-38

Glossary:

- **Katalyma** – a guesthouse or room in a private dwelling – Luke uses this word in Luke 2:7. Both Mark (14:14) and Luke (22:11) refer to the last supper room as a *katalyma* (G2646).
- **Pandocheion** – a commercial, public inn. Luke uses this word in Luke 10:34. (G3829)
- **Purification:** Ritual spiritual (more than physical) cleansing to be made clean and pure before God and People. Purification after childbirth is discussed in Lev 12:6-8.
- **Redemption of the Firstborn:** In memory of the death of Egypt’s firstborn, God placed a special claim on the firstborn of man and animals. The firstborn son was regarded as God’s property so it was necessary for the father to redeem the son by paying five shekels (Numbers 18:16); less commonly, a male could be given over to the priesthood for a lifetime of service as was the case with Samuel (1 Samuel 1:22-27). Jesus is frequently referred to as the firstborn in the New Testament.

Setting for this lesson:



Nazareth | Bethlehem | Jerusalem

Walking in His Dust: Proverbs 25:2 – “It is the glory of God to _____, but the glory of kings is to _____.”

Memory: Luke 2:10-11 – “ _____, for behold, I bring you _____ of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a _____, who is _____ the Lord.”

Lesson notes & questions (teaching or videos):

Lesson Reflections

What is at least one new thing I learned about loving God or loving my neighbor?

Which topics discussed would I like to know more about, or need clarification on?

How does the Holy Spirit want me to apply the lesson’s Scripture to my discipleship?

(You may wish to spend time in prayer before answering.)