




Concerning the Conception of Jesus

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Question No. 1

A close-up photograph of a newborn baby, likely representing Jesus, wrapped in a blue cloth. The baby's face is visible, with eyes closed and a peaceful expression. The baby is lying in a manger, with straw visible in the background. The lighting is soft and warm, creating a serene atmosphere.

**How could Jesus become flesh
Born of a human
And be declared sinless?**

Kevin Costner's "The First Christmas"

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Was Mary Sinless?



John 1:14

¹⁴ And the Word was made flesh

Conceived December 25th 5 B.C.

and dwelt among us,

Born Sept 29th 4 B.C.

**(and we beheld his glory,
the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,
full of grace and truth.**

Heb 7:26

*²⁶ For such an High Priest became us, Who is holy, harmless, undefiled, **separate from sinners**, and made higher than the heavens;*

Heb 4:15

*⁵ For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, **yet without sin**.*

2 Cor 5:21

*²¹ For He hath made Him to be sin for us, **Who knew no sin**; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.*

Answer No. 1

The Roman Church Answer

1854 Pope Pious IX
issued a bull
“Ineffabilis Deus”



We declare, pronounce and define that the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, at the first instance of **her **conception** was preserved immaculate from all stain of original sin, by the singular grace and privilege of the omnipotent God, in virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of mankind, and that this doctrine was revealed by God, and therefore, must be believed firmly and constantly by all the faithful.”**

But it didn't happen like when Jesus was conceived.

To her God poured forth special graces at the moment of **her** conception, and thus she was conceived without original sin. The Church celebrates this feast on December 8. It is a holy day of obligation in the United States and Canada, and many other countries. The patroness of the United States of America is the Blessed Virgin under the title of the Immaculate Conception.

They claim that Mary was made sinless Immediately after she was conceived by her mother Anne with Heli her natural father by some miracle of God. Therefore, Mary was born without the sin of Adam. This puts Mary on equality with Jesus.

Rom 3:9 *for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin; ¹⁰ as it is written, There is none righteous, **no, not one**:*

Rom 3:23 *for **all have sinned**, and come short of the glory of God;*

Rom 5:12 *Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that **all have sinned**:*

Answer No. 2

Perhaps the sin of Adam passes down only through the father only and not the mother.

Since Jesus is the only human not to have a natural father,
The sin of Adam was **not** passed on to Him through Mary.

But this leaves Mary in the state of sin.

Would Jesus be conceived and developed in a human body in sin?

Rom 5:19

**For as by one man's
disobedience many were
made sinners,**



Answer No. 3

**In order to become sinless,
Mary had to be sanctified
through salvation.**

**How could Mary become saved
before Jesus was born?**

Did Mary follow the mechanics of Romans?

Rom 10:9

**⁹ that if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus,
and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him
from the dead, thou shalt be saved.**

Rom 10:13

¹³ For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Rom 8:29-30

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰ Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Rom 11:33

**O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
how unsearchable *are* his judgments, and his ways past finding out!
³⁴ For who hath known the mind of the Lord?**

Consider what we know about the mystery of the Body of Christ

Eph 1:3-7

**Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Who hath **blessed us** with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ:
⁴ according as He hath chosen us in Him **before** the foundation of the world,
that we should **be holy and without blame** before Him in love:
⁵ having predestinated us unto the adoption of sons by Jesus Christ to Himself,
according to the good pleasure of His will, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace,
wherein He hath **made us accepted** in the beloved. ⁷ in whom we have redemption
through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace;**

Eph 5:27

that he might present it to himself a **glorious church (body), not having spot,
or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be **holy and without blemish**.**

The Scriptures do not say that Mary was blessed, chosen, holy and without blame, made accepted in the Beloved before the foundation (overthrow) of the world.

But He could prepare Mary like the Body of Christ
that he might present it to himself a glorious body,
not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing;
but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Prepared for the conception and development of His Son

1 John 5

***Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God:
and every one that loveth Him That begat loveth Him
also that is begotten of Him.***

1 John 3:9

***Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed
remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.***

Heb 10:5

Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith,
Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not,
but a body hast thou prepared me:
(perfected, perfectly joined together}

Not quoted from Ps 40:6 verbatim

Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire;
mine ears hast thou opened:
burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.

Luke 1:26-35

- ✓ **Evangelist**
- ✓ **Grace**
- ✓ **Gospel**
- ✓ **Belief, faith**
- ✓ **Sanctification**

The Gift of Grace

***²⁸ And the angel came in unto her, and said,
Hail (**be glad**),
thou that art highly favoured (**given grace**),
the Lord is with thee:
blessed (**well spoken**) art thou among women.***

***³⁰ And the angel said unto her,
Fear not, Mary:
for thou hast found favour (**grace**) with God.***

Gabriel: First Evangelist Preached the Good News

³¹ And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call His name **JESUS**. ³² He shall be great, and shall be called the **Son of the Highest**: and the Lord God shall give unto Him the **throne of His father David**: ³³ and He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of **His kingdom** there shall be no end.

³⁵ also that Holy Thing which shall be born of thee shall be **called the Son of God**.

Mary: The First Believer in Jesus the Christ

³⁴ Then said Mary unto the angel, *How shall this be,*

**³⁸ And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord;
*be it unto me according to thy word.***

Mary Believed by Faith

When did Mary become sinless?

³⁴ Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? ³⁵ And the angel answered and said unto her, **The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee,** and the **power of the Highest shall overshadow thee:** therefore also **that holy thing** which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Luke 1:35

Mary became sinless by the statement

‘The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee’

Then Mary conceived when

“ the Power of the Highest shall overshadow thee”.

In the events of Luke 1:26-35 The angel Gabriel delivered to Mary the good news of her favored status with God. Then he announced the good news of Jesus, the coming King of Israel who will occupy the throne of David and that Mary would give birth to the Son of God

By the grace bestowed upon her by God, Mary believed the angel's good news by the obedience of faith. Thereby she became sanctified and sinless. Mary became "holy and without blame" to conceive and give birth to That Holy Thing, The Son of God.

Joseph: The Second to Believe in Christ

Matt 1:23-24

²³ Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

²⁴ Then Joseph being raised from sleep **did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him**, and took unto him (Mary) his wife:

Elizabeth: The Third to Believe in Christ

and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost:

⁴² and she spake out with a loud voice,

and said, **Blessed *art* thou among women,
and blessed *is* the fruit of thy womb.**

⁴³ And whence *is* this to me,

that **the mother of my Lord** should come to me?

Question No. 2

Luke 1:36

And, behold, thy **cousin Elisabeth,
she hath also conceived a son in her old age:
and this is the sixth month with her,
who was called barren.**



How can Mary and Elizabeth be cousins?



Luke 1:5

***There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judæa,
a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia:
and his wife was of the daughters of Aaron,
and her name was Elisabeth.***

Ex 4:14

***And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses,
and he said, Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother?***

Luke 1:26

And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name *was* Mary.

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Luke 3:23

**And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age,
being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was *the son* of Heli,**

3:31

...which was *the son* of Nathan, which was *the son* of David,

3:33

...which was *the son* of Juda,

**Eliizabeth was of the tribe of Levi,
Of the daughters of Aaron
Who married priests**

**Mary was a daughter of Heli
Who was of the house of David
Who was of the tribe of Judah**

**The modern meaning of the word “cousin”
is the child of an aunt and uncle.**

What is the Biblical meaning of cousin?

Luke 1:36 is the only occurrence of the word “cousin”.

Strong’s G4773 *syngenes*

In Ro 16:11 syngenes is translated “kinsman”

In John 18:26 syngenes is translated “kinsman”

In Luke 1:58 syngenes is translated “cousins”

**In Luke 1:61 the word “kindred” is the translation
for the Greek *syngeneia***

The word “kindred” occurs 28 times in the Bible

Gen 12:1 is quoted by Stephen in Acts 7:3

Now the Lord had said to Abram

- **Get thee out of thy country,**
 - **and from thy kindred,**
 - **and from thy father's house**
- and come into the land which I shall shew thee.**

Kindred means neither country nor family

Kindred means nation.

Kindred is the English translation for
the Greek ***gyngeneia***
Which is the Greek translation for
the Hebrew ***moledet***

**Kindred means
of the same nation,
a fellow countryman**

Abram was of the Semites, the descendants of Shem

Another translation of *syngenes* is kinswoman
which is the same as kinsman

**A “cousin” in the Bible means
kinswoman of the same nation**

And not as we mean the word “cousin”.

As “cousins”

Mary and Elizabeth

were kinswomen of the same nation

Luke 1:46 And Mary said,
My soul doth magnify the Lord,
47 and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
48 For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden:
for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
49 For he that is mighty hath done to me great things;
and holy *is* his name.
50 And his mercy *is* on them that fear him
from generation to generation.
51 He hath shewed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
52 He hath put down the mighty from *their* seats,
and exalted them of low degree.
53 He hath filled the hungry with good things;
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
54 He hath holpen his servant Israel,
in remembrance of *his* mercy;
55 as he spake to our fathers,
to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.