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The Children's Word

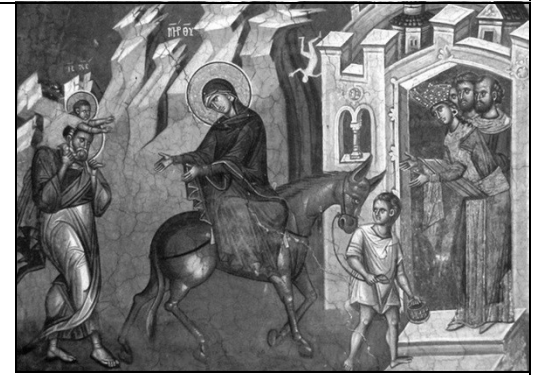
"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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Where is Jesus from?

Have you ever met somebody new? When we meet somebody, you might get asked, "What's your name?" or "Where are you from?" or "Where do you live?" When we want to know more about somebody, it's important to know where he or she came from.



In today's Gospel we hear something about where our Lord, Jesus Christ is from! We know that Jesus was born in Bethlehem, but today we hear about how, when Jesus was a little child, He went with His family to Egypt. Then, when it was safe for Him to come back, He lived in a town called Nazareth. Lots of people wanted to know "Where is Jesus from?" Well, He lived in Bethlehem, Egypt, and then Nazareth.

These places are important because the prophets had written about them long, long before Jesus was even born! The prophet Micah wrote that a ruler would come from Bethlehem. The prophet Hosea wrote that God's Son would come out of Egypt. And other prophets wrote about the savior coming from Nazareth.

So, long before Jesus was born, the Scriptures said the savior would come from three different places. And today, when we ask "Where is Jesus from?" we know He came from all three!

WORD SEARCH

Can you find these words in the jumble?

- Africa
- Bethlehem
- Christmas
- Chrysostomos
- Egypt
- Gospel
- Mission
- Nativity
- Nazareth
- Swahili

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SAINT CHRYSOSTOMOS MISSIONARY TO AFRICA

Tomorrow is such a special day, because it's the first time we get to celebrate somebody as a saint! Just this year, Saint Chrysostomos was named a saint, and he is a wonderful example for all of us!



Saint Chrysostomos was born in Greece, and he was the 7th child in his family. His family was very poor, and even though he wanted to go to school, he couldn't, because his family didn't have the money. But Chrysostomos wanted to serve the church and he was determined to do that. He studied his whole life to learn how to serve. He finally got his degree when he was 56 years old!

Saint Chrysostomos was a faithful man, but he was also a very brave man. He wanted to go to Africa to serve the people there. The Bible tells us to go out into all the world, teaching the people the Good News of Christ, so that is what Chrysostomos did. He learned Swahili and he preached to the people. He baptized lots of people. He got people from Greece and the United States and other places in Europe to help the people of Africa. Chrysostomos knew God wants *everybody* to know about His Son, Jesus Christ!

We can follow this holy saint's example! We can help Christians all over the world. Ask your parents or your priest how you can help our Orthodox Christian brothers and sisters in Africa. We can show our love, just as Saint Chrysostomos did!

We celebrate St. Chrysostomos tomorrow, December 29th.

WHAT'S IN THE ICON?

Saint Chrysostomos died only about 50 years ago, so we still have photos of him.

Do you think his icon looks like him?

