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Mary, did you know that your baby boy is Lord of all creation? Mary, did you know that your baby boy will one day rule the nations?

Christmas is filled with contrasts.

The angel said to (the shepherds), "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

Luke 2:10-12

The Lord of all creation is born in a feeding trough.

The <u>rightful heir</u> of both King David's throne and God's throne is wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying among farm animals.

Jesus is our humble King who comes to live, to die, to rise, and to reign.

He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens. **Ephesians 4:10**

On the 40th day after His resurrection, Christ <u>ascended</u> into the glory of His Father—*from which He had come that first Christmas*—in order to prepare a place for us in heaven.

Right now, seated at the Father's right hand, Jesus is...

Speaking to you through His Word, the Bible.

Interceding for you to the Father through the Holy Spirit.

Protecting you and all believers as He governs over the entire world.

On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. **Revelation 19:16**