ALL GIFTS COME FROM GOD! And there are many ...

We want to look at a few, and we want to look at

The gifts God gave JOSEPH on that first Christmas

We can assume that what we discover is included in our gifts from Him!

Theme verse Matt 1:20-21 ... each week we will open one of the gifts Seen in this scripture! READ Matt 1:20-21

Have a kid from audience choose and open a gift! – REVELATION

One of the gifts to Joseph is that GOD REVEALED HIS plan to him Revelation is a wonderful gift from God ...

Reread Matt 1:20 (the first verse deals with REVELATION)

1. After he had considered

Considered GREEK = ??

We have a role in revelation - Seeking

Listening

2. Dream

One type of revelation – common in scripture Other occurrences Purposes

Interpretation??/ How/why??

Other "types" of Biblical revelation? In the Spirit Signs

How can we be sure?

Time ...

Word ...

Wise Counsel ...

3. Do not be afraid

Revelation will help with fear

Revelation and CONFIRMATION go together We are afraid b/c we are unsure

Sometime revelation IS confirmation Example –

Sometimes revelation requires Example –

But they always go together!

- 4. Take her home WE NEED TO ACT ON WHAT GOD TELLS US TO DO
- 5. Conceived ... from the Holy Spirit God is revealing His will
 - A. Bigger than your ability (SCR)
 - B. Different form your thoughts (SCR)

The Conclusion - Verse 24

When God speaks ... do we listen? Confirm? And OBEY!!! He does not give gifts with no purpose!