Who's the Baby?

1. The purpose of ______ and _____ account of the Christmas story is to tell us, "Who's the baby".

Isaiah 7:14 (NIV)

¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him <u>Immanuel (which means, God with us</u>).

Isaiah 9:6 (NIV)

⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the <u>government will be on his shoulders</u>. And he will be called <u>Wonderful Counselor</u>, <u>Mighty God</u>, <u>Everlasting Father</u>, <u>Prince of Peace</u>.

John 1:1-4 (NIV)

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the <u>Word was with God</u>, and the <u>Word was God</u>.

² He was with God in the beginning.

³ <u>Through him all things were made</u>; without him nothing was made that has been made.

⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of men.

John 1:14 (NIV)

¹⁴ <u>The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us</u>. We have seen his glory, <u>the glory of the One</u> <u>and Only</u>, <u>who came from the Father</u>,

2. The purpose of ______ account of the Christmas story is

to tell us ______ and _____ reaction to, "Who's the baby".

Matthew 1:18-24 (NIV)

¹⁸ This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit.

¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because <u>what is conceived in her is from</u> <u>the Holy Spirit.</u>

²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because <u>he will save his people</u> <u>from their sins."</u>

²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will <u>call him Immanuel"--which means, "God with us.</u>"

²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife.

Matthew 2:1-6 (NIV)

¹ After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born <u>king of the Jews</u>? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him."

³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed.....,

Matthew 2:16 (NIV)

¹⁶ When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under....

3.	The purpose o	f account of the Christmas st	ory is to tell us
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_____, the shepherds, and Simeon's reaction to, "Who's the baby."

Luke 1:30-32 (NIV)

³⁰ But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God.

³¹You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus.

³² <u>He will be great</u> and will be <u>called the Son of the Most High</u>.

Luke 1:46-48 (NIV)

And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed,

Luke 2:8-11 (NIV)

⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you <u>good news</u> of <u>great joy</u> that will be <u>for all the people</u>.

¹¹Today in the town of David <u>a Savior</u> has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:17-18 (NIV)

¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning <u>what had been told them</u> about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

Luke 2:34-35 (NIV)

³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against,

³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

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the	that saves you.			
5. Jesus b	eing God means: God	, God	, God	,

and God ______ to take away your sins, because you couldn't do it yourself.