

“The Day Jesus’ Dad Lost Control”

Matthew 1:18-25

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1. Joseph gave up his clear _____.

- Matthew 9:9.

- Matthew 8:2; Mark 2:14; Luke 5:27; John 21:19.

- A line between Emerson and Thoreau: “And what has become _____ to you since last we met?”

- But the Biblical truth: “When it comes to following Christ, you don’t trust the _____, you trust the _____.”

2. Joseph gave us his steadfast _____.

- Matthew 16:24-27.

- Mark 9:35; Mark 10:44; John 7:17; John 13:16; John 15:20.

- Dwight L. Moody: “Spread out your petition before God, and then say, ‘_____ will, not _____ be done.’ The sweetest lesson I have learned in God’s school is to let the Lord _____.”

3. Joseph gave us his future _____.

- Matthew 26:42.

- Psalm 40:8; John 7:17.

- Wilbur Rees: “I would like to buy _____ of God, please, not enough to explode my soul or disturb my sleep but just enough to equal a cup of warm milk or a snooze in the sunshine.”