The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.


Glory to you, O Lord.

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinus was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem,
because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary,

his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her

to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in

swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them

in the inn. Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping

the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the

glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear.

The angel said to them, “do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news
of great joy that will be for all the people. For to-day in the city of David
a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign
for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a
man-ger.” And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host
with the angel, praising God and saying: “Glo-ry to God in the high-est
and on earth peace to those on whom his fa- vor rests.”

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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