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Infancy Narrative Comparisons

Directions: Find the Scripture passage (chapter: verse(s)) for each episode of the infancy narrative in the Gospels According to **Matthew** and **Luke**. Then, briefly summarize the **Similarities and/or Differences** of the episode between each Gospel. *(This does NOT have to be in complete sentences.)* Finally, answer the question at the bottom of the chart.

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| **Infancy Narrative Episode** | **Matthew** | **Luke** | **Similarities**  **and/or**  **Differences** |
| Genealogy |  |  |  |
| Birth of Jesus |  |  |  |
| Angel announces Jesus as the Messiah |  |  |  |
| Engagement of  Mary and Joseph  (not yet married) |  |  |  |
| Mary conceived by the Holy Spirit |  |  |  |
| The Naming of Jesus |  |  |  |
| The Census in Bethlehem |  |  |  |
| The Star’s Appearance |  |  |  |
| Visitors to the Babe |  |  |  |
| The Massacre of Bethlehem’s Children |  |  |  |
| Holy Family  Flees to Egypt |  |  |  |
| Jesus’ Temple Presentation |  |  |  |
| Jesus, the Nazorean |  |  |  |
| Jesus found in the Temple |  |  |  |

Why do you think each Gospel author stressed different aspects of Jesus’ birth and early years?

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