

## Discussion Questions

1. How do you see the timing of Jesus' birth? Do you believe that the historical and social conditions were merely incidental to the birth of Jesus or did God select these conditions as the optimal time for Jesus to appear (Galatians 4:1-4)?

2. Reading through the Gospel accounts of the birth of Jesus, what were conditions like historically and socially?

3. What is your assessment of these conditions? Were they at all beneficial to the work and mission of Jesus? If so, how?