SYNTHESIS OF THE BIRTH & INFANCY OF CHRIST

TIME FRAME	E VENT	MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN
FROM ETERNITY INTO TIME	The Incarnation of Jesus Christ.				1:1-18
9 Months	The Virgin Conception of Christ by the Holy Spirit and pregnancy. Joseph comes to terms by the Angel of the Lord's counsel and though not physically with her, he proceeds with the marriage. Mary visits Elizabeth.	1:18-25		1:26-56	
LAST DAYS OF PREGNANCY	Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem for taxation census.			2:1-5	
THE DAY OF BIRTH	The Virgin Birth of Christ.	1:25		2:6-7	
LATER THAT EVENING	The Shepherds are visited by the Angel of the Lord.			2:8-12	
SAME TIME	The Heavenly host praise God.			2:13-14	
AFTER THE ANGELIC VISIT	The Shepherds go and visit the Baby Jesus.			2:15-20	
8 DAYS LATER	Baby Jesus circumcised.			2:21	
33 DAYS LATER (41 SINCE BIRTH)	After Mary's time of uncleanness, she goes to give the offering demanded in Leviticus 12:1-13 at the Temple in Jerusalem. (Jesus also presented as firstborn)			2:22-24	
WHILE IN JERUSALEM	Simeon sees the Baby Jesus and rejoices.			2:25-35	
STILL IN JERUSALEM	Anna praises God for the Baby Jesus.			2:36-38	
AT END OF TRIP IN JERUSALEM	Mary and Joseph take Baby Jesus back to Bethlehem.			2:39	

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SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 40 DAYS TO THE END OF THAT YEAR (DANIEL 9 TELLS THE YEAR)	Wise Men travel from Babylon to Jerusalem.	2:1			
UPON ARRIVAL	Wise Men meet Herod and wonder where the celebration is. They do not know to go to Bethlehem and have to ask.	2:2-6			
AFTER MEETING	Herod sends Wise Men to Bethlehem asking them to return after meeting the King of the Jews.	2:7-8			
On Journey of A Few Hours (8 Miles To Bethlehem)	Star again leads Wise Men to Jesus.	2:9-10			
UPON ARRIVAL AT JOSEPH AND MARY'S HOUSE IN BETHLEHEM	Wise Men worship Jesus and give gifts.	2:11			
AT END OF VISIT	God warns the Wise Men to go another way and not to go to Herod and they obey.	2:12			
AFTER WISE MEN LEAVE	The Angel of the Lord tells Joseph to flee to Egypt.	2:13			
THAT SAME NIGHT	Joseph, Mary and Baby Jesus leave for Egypt.	2:14-15			
AFTER HEROD REALIZED WHAT HAPPENED	Herod has babies of Bethlehem killed - Jesus gone.	2:16-18			
PROBABLY 2 YEARS SINCE BIRTH	Herod dies and the Angel of the Lord tells Joseph to go to Israel and he does.	2:19-21			
On Journey Home	Joseph is warned by God in a dream of Herod's son, Archelaeus, and he goes to Galilee where Jesus grows up.	2:22-23			