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## "Scripture And Agreement"

*By R.E. Fuller, The Sojourner* Luke 1:26-38 <sup>(NIV)</sup> Luke 1:26-38 <sup>(AMP)</sup>

Christmas seems to bring more unity among believers. Most congregations will hear the same scriptures read with which they have become so familiar. The renderings in the Gospels do differ to some degree but this does not reveal conflict or disagreement among those who recorded the events.

It is interesting to note that while Matthew was a tax collector he makes no reference to the census mentioned by Luke. These differences in their approach are just that, different aspects of the same story, not discrepancies.

Let the naysayers bellow in their foolishness. Enjoy the birth of the Savior but don't keep him in the manger, on the cross, or in the tomb because without the resurrection and ascension there would be little reason to celebrate Christmas. Jesus' birth is not only the "reason for the season" but the beginning of hope for all people and the restoration of relationship with God for all who would believe!

Remember...

We need to always focus on Christ!

The blessings of our Lord on you and all that is yours by blood, adoption or assignment!

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