

The background features two lit candles on the left, casting a warm glow. Below them is an open book with cursive handwriting. The overall color palette is dominated by purple and gold tones.

Sunday, November
27th

First Sunday of
ADVENT

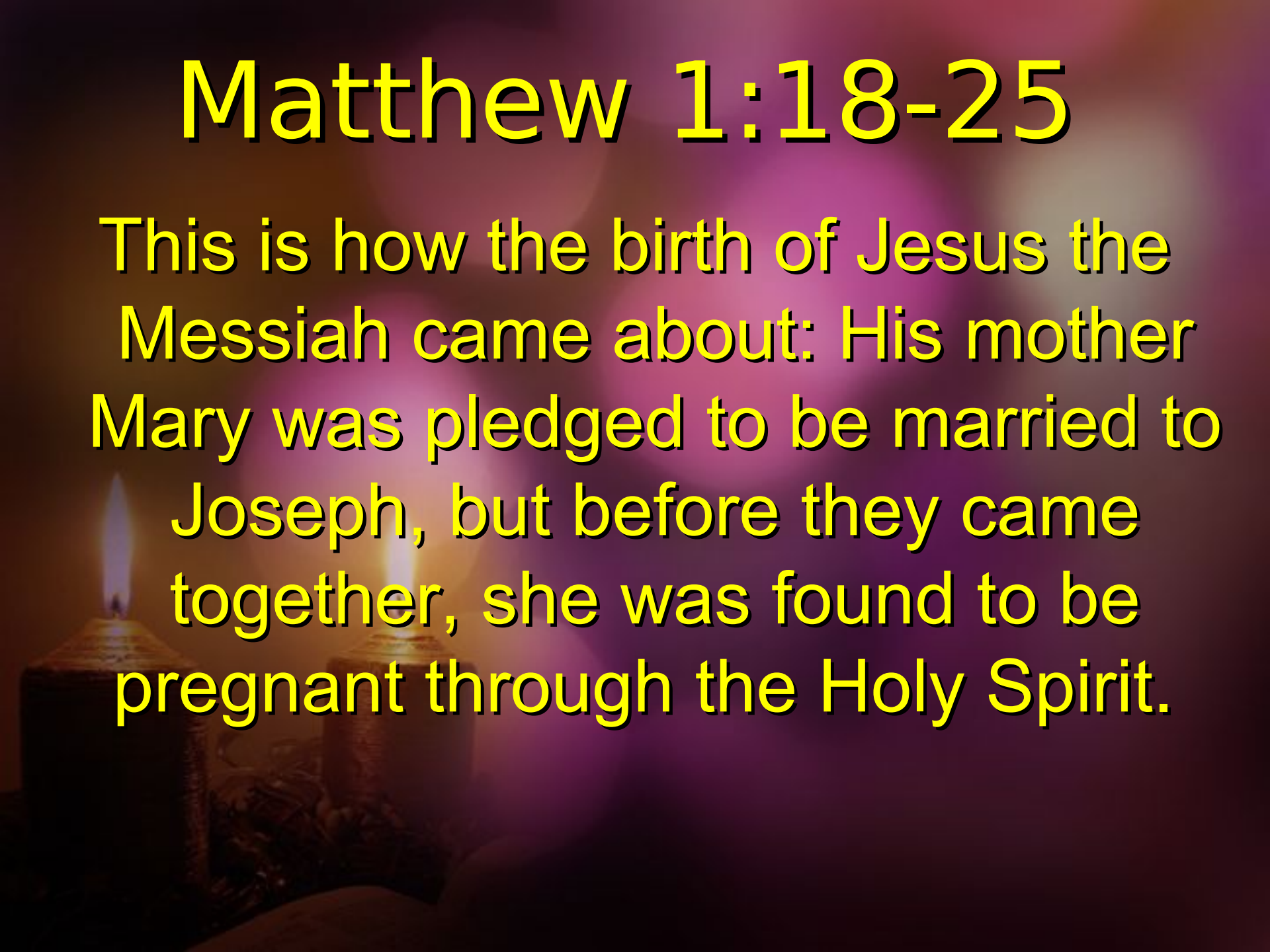
The image features two lit candles on the left side, with their flames glowing. They are placed on an open book. The background is a soft, purple bokeh effect. The text is centered and written in a bold, bright green font with a black outline.

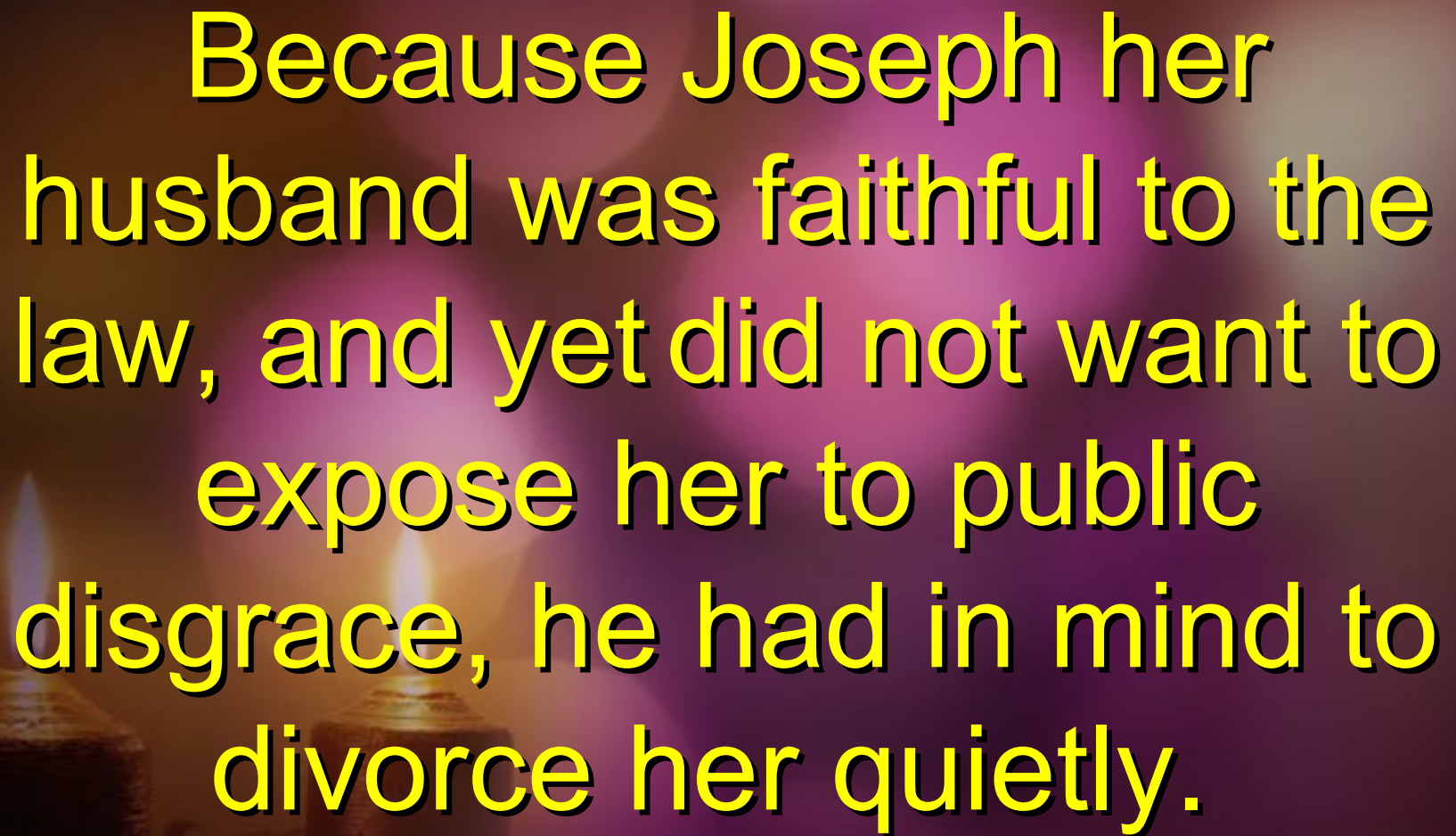
**MISSION
IMPOSSIBLE
OR
POSSIBLE
MISSION?**

Matthew 1:18-25

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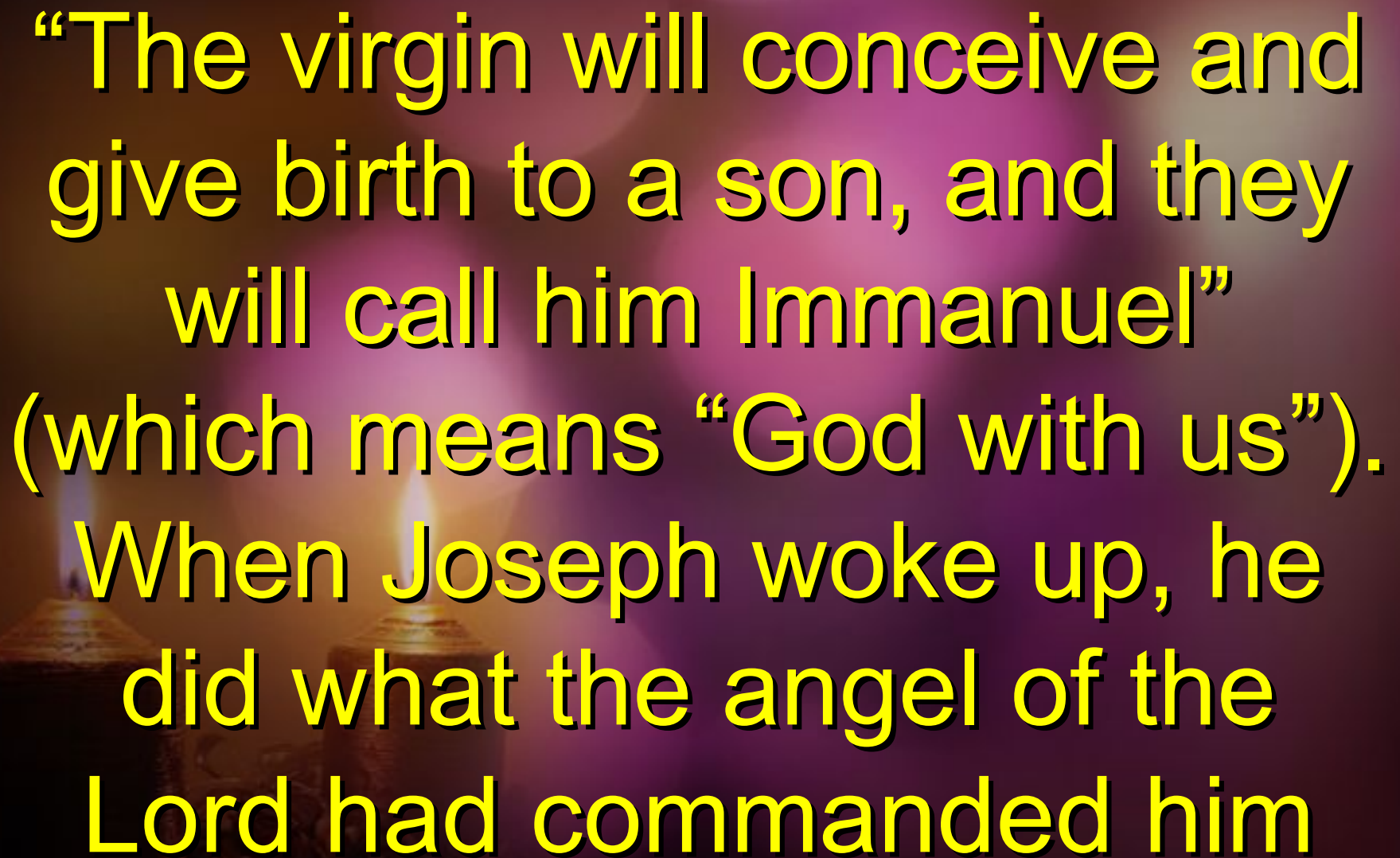
The background of the slide features a soft, purple and blue gradient. In the lower-left corner, there are two lit candles in ornate holders, their flames glowing and casting a warm light. The overall atmosphere is serene and spiritual.



Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

But after he had considered
this, an angel of the Lord
appeared to him in a dream
and said, "Joseph son of
David, do not be afraid to
take Mary home as your wife,
because what is conceived in
her is from the Holy Spirit.

She will give birth to a son,
and you are to give him the
name Jesus, because he will
save his people from their
sins.” All this took place to
fulfill what the Lord had said
through the prophet:



“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”).

When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him

and took Mary home as his
wife. But he did not
consummate their marriage
until she gave birth to a son.
And he gave him the name
Jesus.

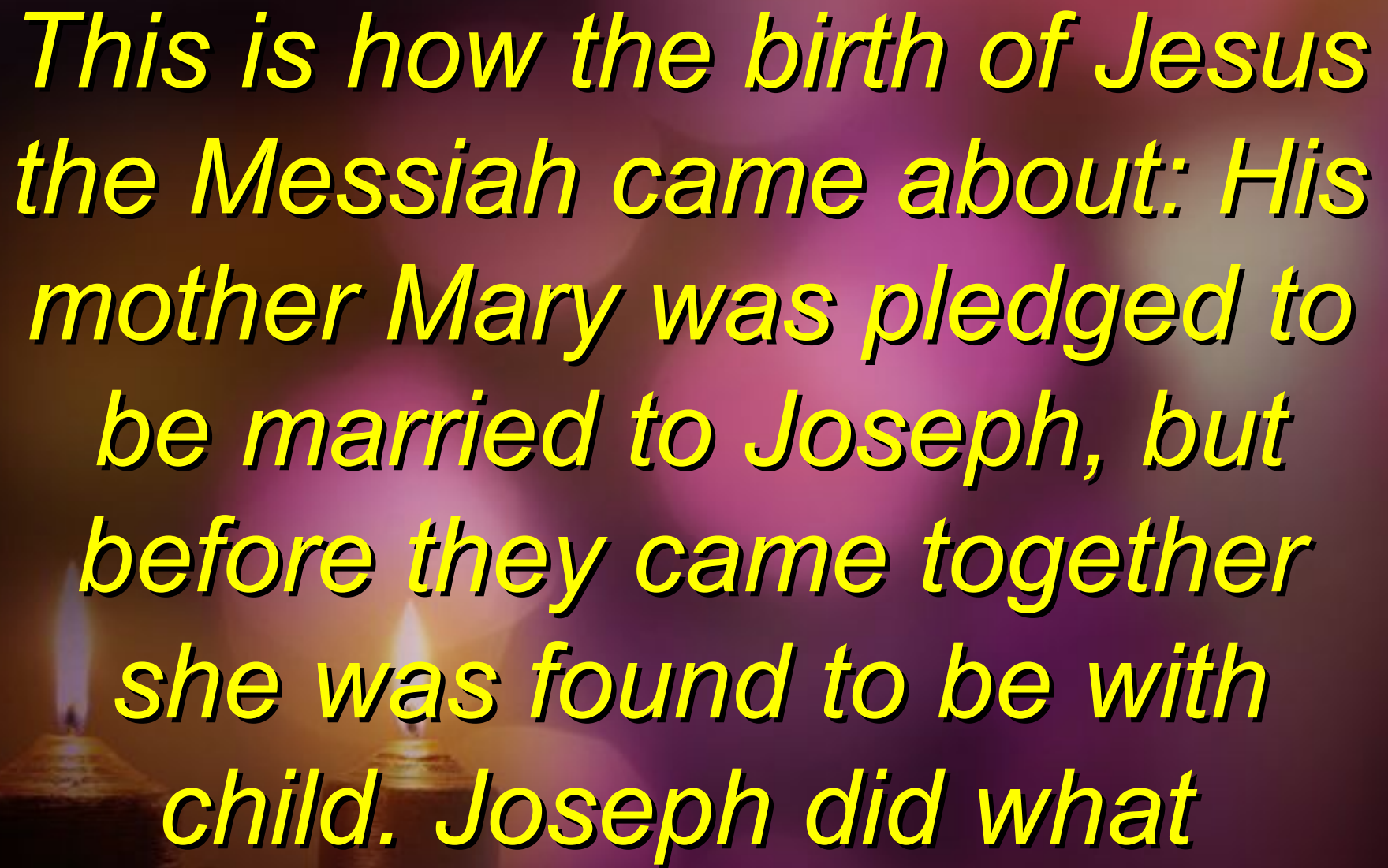


Mary was a virgin.

(vs. 18a & 25)

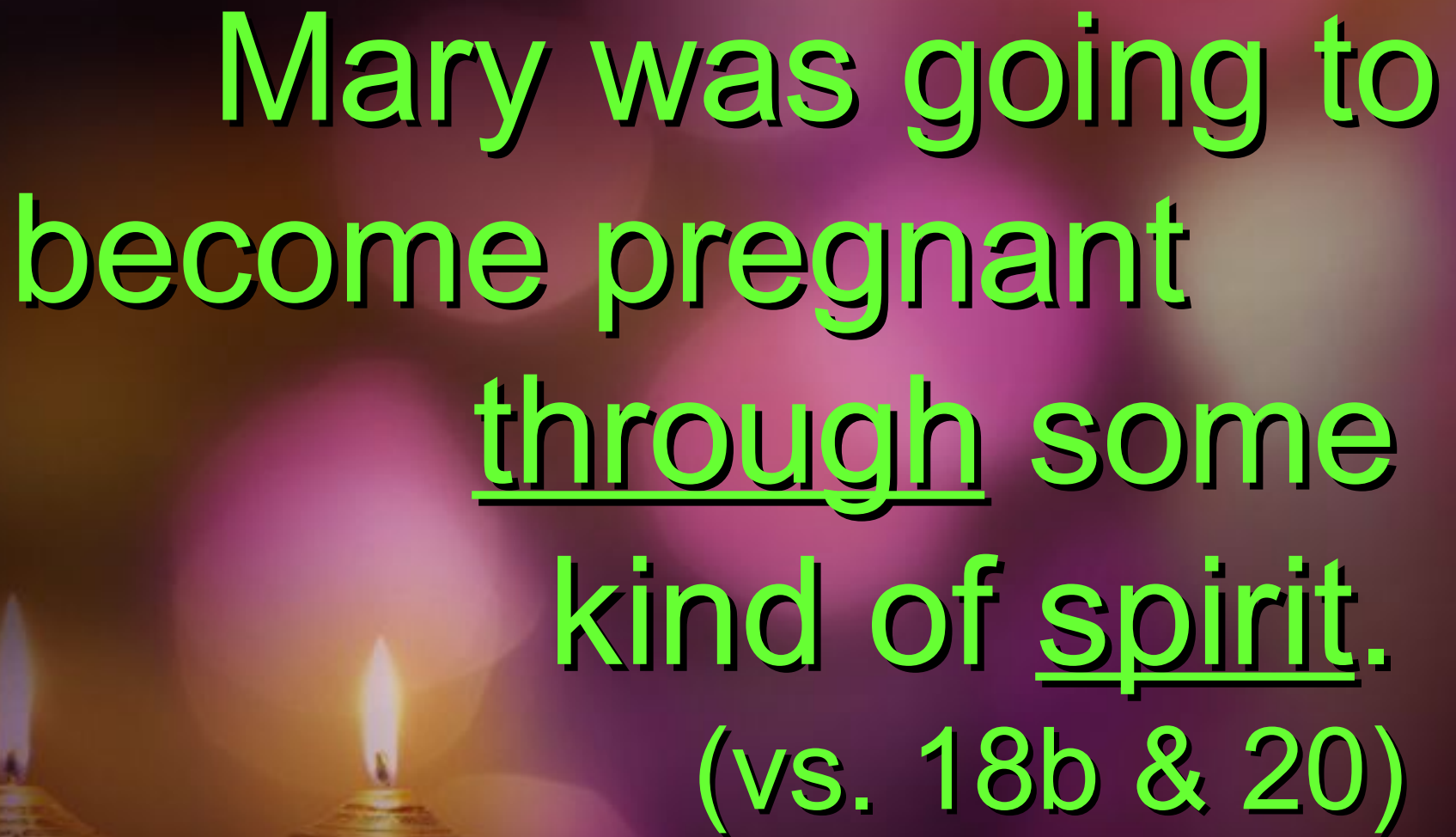


*This is how the birth of Jesus
the Messiah came about: His
mother Mary was pledged to
be married to Joseph, but
before they came together
she was found to be with
child. Joseph did what*

The background of the slide features a soft, warm glow from several lit candles. The candles are positioned in the lower-left and lower-center areas, with their flames creating a gentle, golden light that fades into a dark purple and blue gradient towards the top and right edges of the frame. The overall atmosphere is serene and contemplative.

*the angel of the Lord had
commanded him and took
Mary home as his wife but he
had no union with her until
she gave birth to a son.*





Mary was going to
become pregnant
through some
kind of spirit.
(vs. 18b & 20)

But before they came together she was found to be pregnant with child through the Holy Spirit. An angel of the Lord appeared to him (Joseph) in a dream and

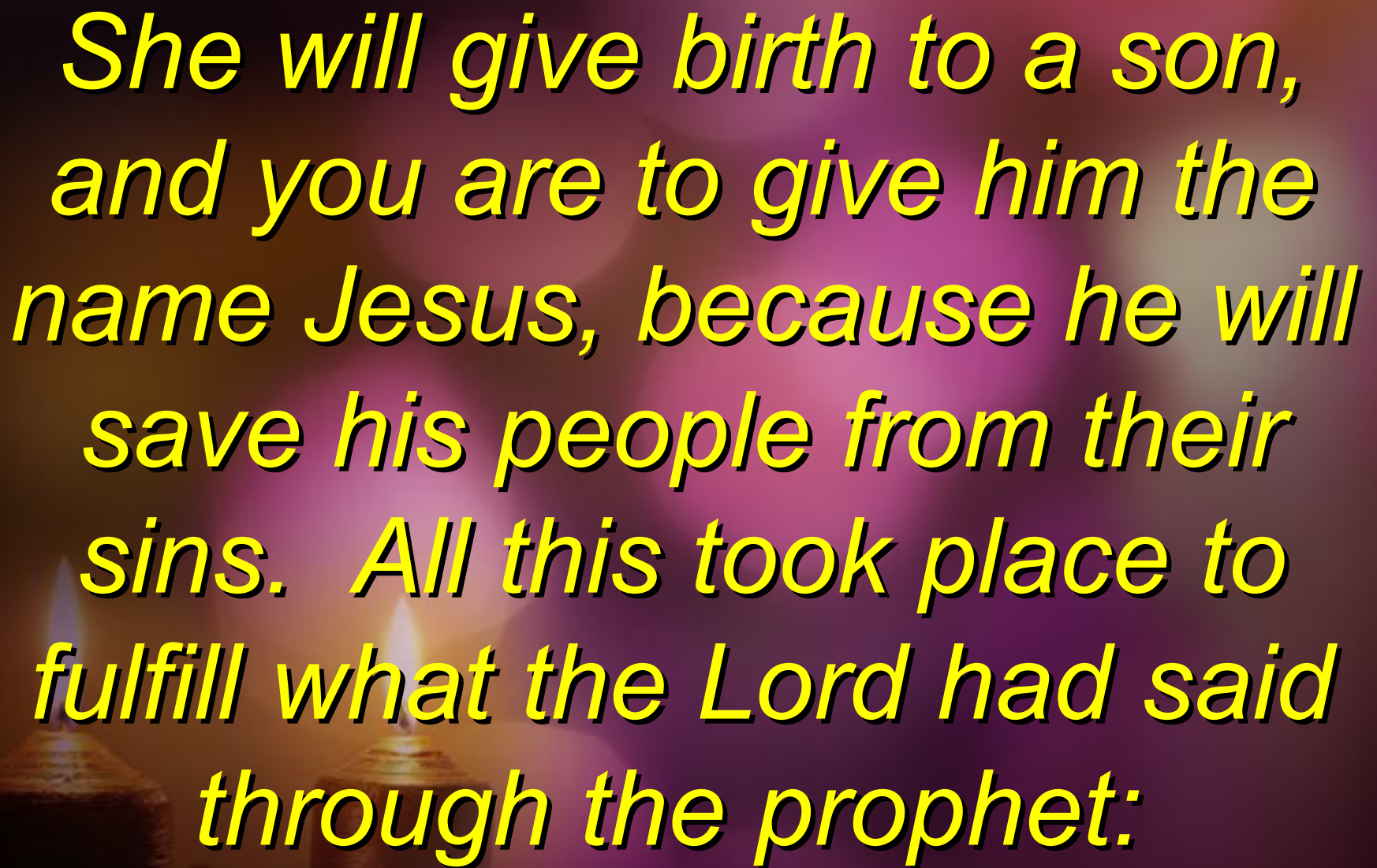


said, Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.



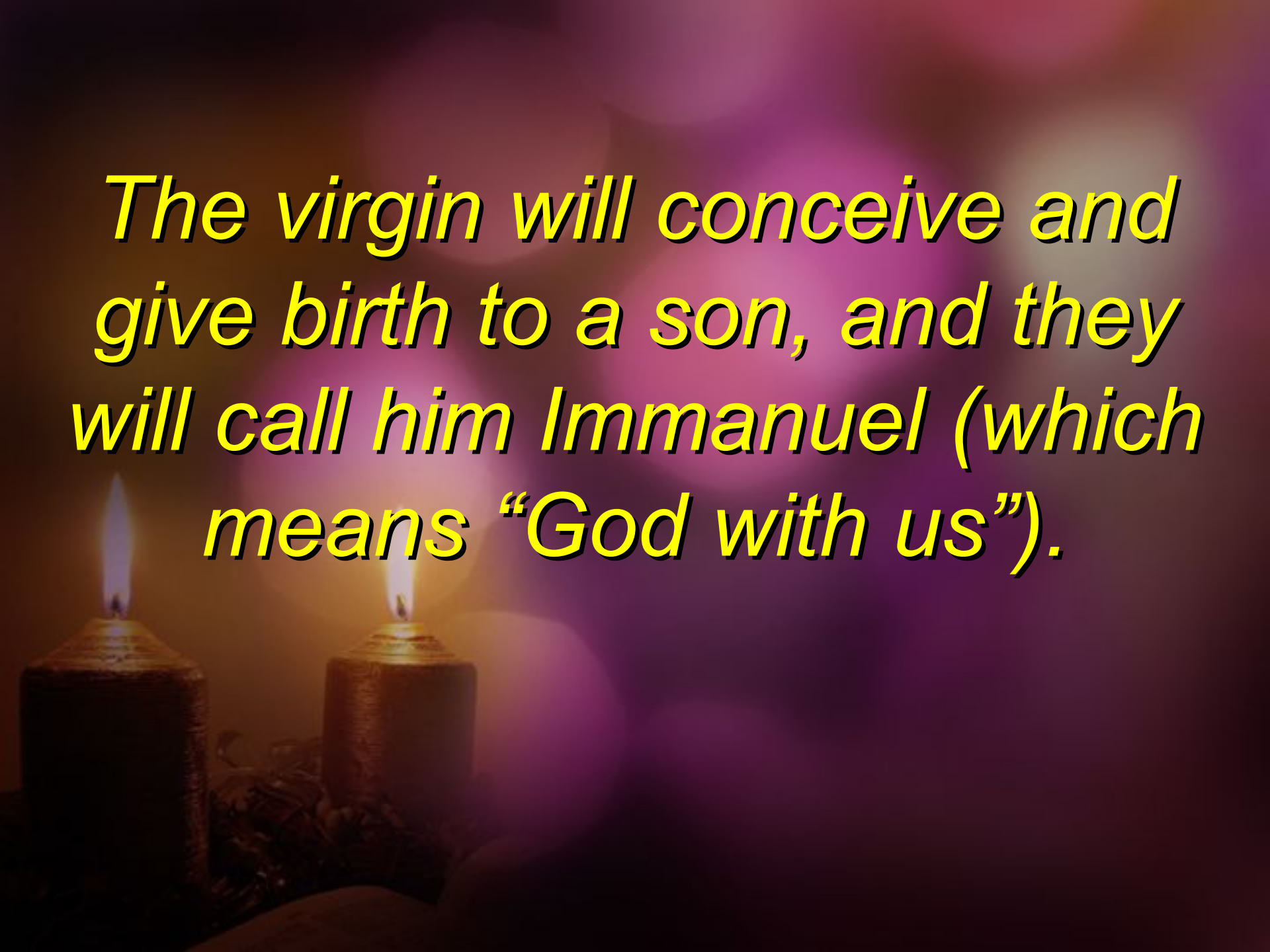
Mary's baby would
grow up to be a
man, take sin
out of people,
and be God.

(vs. 21 & 22)



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name Jesus, because he will
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Statement of Belief:

Mary was a virgin, who became pregnant through the Holy Spirit, gave birth to a son and gave him the name Jesus. Jesus is God's son who came to save all people from their sins.

“With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

- Jesus

