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NOTE: There are more questions below than you are expected to answer. Please just choose a few that are relevant for your personal reflection & application.

WORD - Selected Scriptures - Matthew 1:18-25

1. This is a very well-known passage by anyone who has a church background. Did anything new stand out to you in it?
2. What are some of the qualities of a righteous and honorable man you can see in Joseph in this passage?

MESSAGE

1. Have you ever ignored social scorn in order to be obedient to God, as Joseph and Mary did?
2. What cost have you paid for your obedience to God?
3. Joseph “should” have divorced Mary, by that day’s cultural/social standards. When have you gone against the grain and done what you knew was right instead of what culture told you to?
4. What has your response been when you’ve found yourself in a social refugee reality?
5. Joseph not only was obedient to God, but he also responded to Mary in a compassionate way before the angel appeared to him. When have you responded with compassion to a social refugee?
6. How have you responded to the people that have made you a social refugee?

RESPONSE

1. What did you learn from this teaching?
2. What do you feel God is leading you to do this week in light of this teaching/scripture?