



Joseph . . . Do Not Be Afraid! – December 2021

Thoughts to Ponder from Matthew 1:18-25 NIV

1. The Basilica of the Annunciation and the Convent of the Sisters of Nazareth are located on sacred spots.
 - a. Why are their locations considered sacred?
 - b. Are any places sacred to you? If so, why?
2. Matthew 1:19 describes Joseph as "righteous."
 - a. What characteristics made him so?
 - b. Would others say you are a "righteous person?" Why or why not?
3. After Mary told Joseph about her pregnancy:
 - a. What choices did Joseph have?
 - b. What course of action would you have taken?
 - c. What choice did Joseph make?
 - d. How did God respond?
4. Describe a circumstance in which your faith faltered and you doubted that God could possibly work for good in what appeared to be a devastatingly bad situation.
5. How are stained glass windows and truly Godly people alike?

