

A person is kneeling in prayer, their hands clasped together. The scene is dimly lit, with a bright, multi-pointed star shining in the upper right corner. The background is dark, with some light-colored, ethereal shapes that could be clouds or smoke. The overall mood is solemn and reverent.

Bethlehem

The city where Jesus Christ was born

Bethlehem - the birthplace of King David and the birthplace of Christ

- The most important and precious shrine of the city is the cave in which the baby Jesus was born. Above the cave is the Church of the Nativity of Christ - the most ancient temple of Palestine.*



The temple on the site of the Nativity of Christ was erected by order of Emperor Constantine the Great.



And this is how the temple looks outside.

Entrance to the Temple of the Nativity in Bethlehem





2. The star has 14 rays and symbolizes the Bethlehem star, inside there is an inscription in Latin in a circle (“Jesus Christ was born here from the Virgin Mary”)

*1. Birthplace of Christ
The birthplace of Christ is marked with a silver star, which is embedded in the floor and was once gilded and decorated with precious stones.*

3. Above this star, in a semicircular niche, hang 16 lamps, of which 6 belong to the Orthodox, 6 Armenians and 4 Catholics.



Thanks for attention

