JESUS CHRIST IS BORN IN BETHLEHEM, JUDEA.

Luke Chapter 2:1 "And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (Caesar Augustus was the first Roman Emperor and his Empire was so extensive, it is called 'the world' and he would Register all for Taxation). (I use KJV Bible & Greek Word definitions).

2:2 "(And this taxation begin when Cyrenius was Governor of Syria). (and <u>Joseph</u> would have to travel 90 miles <u>from Nazareth with Mary to Register in Bethlehem</u>, City of both their 'Davidic Lineage.'

2:3 "And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own City. (City of their Family Origin).

2:4 "And <u>Joseph</u> also went up from Galilee, <u>out of the city of Nazareth</u>, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called <u>Bethlehem</u>; (because he was of the house and Lineage of David). (both <u>Joseph and Mary</u> were of the Royal Line of <u>King David</u>).

2:5 "To be taxed with Mary his Espoused wife, being great with Child. (At least week long journey of hardships and at 9 months along, riding donkey or camel, and about to deliver, with no reservations for housing).

2:6-7 "And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that She should be delivered. And She brought forth her Firstborn SON, and wrapped HIM in swaddling clothes, and laid HIM in a manger; because there was No room for them in the Inn. (the Prophecy was fulfilled, the Christ Child was born in Bethlehem. Fulfilling Micah 5:2).

"This is the LORD's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes" Psalm 118:23. And read Micah 5:2-4.

The Virgin, sheltered in a Stable, in travail, brought forth her First Born SON: Wrapped HIM herself, in swaddling cloths: sparganoo to wrap with strips of cloth. and laid HIM in a Manger: phatne crib, for fodder, a feeding trough.

Later, As a Wife, <u>Mary</u> would have 4 **SONS** with her Husband: 1. <u>Joseph</u>, 2. <u>James</u>, 3. <u>Jude</u> & 4. <u>Simon</u>. These were <u>JESUS</u> half-brothers. See Matthew 12:46, 13:55.

Mary would not be a Virgin for life. She even had 2 or 3 daughters with Joseph. (Matthew 13:56). So yes, Mary would have a large family. And JESUS, The SON Of GOD, would seem different to HIS 4 half-brothers and 3 half-sisters).