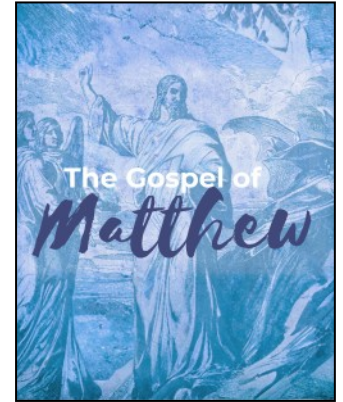


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Matthew



The Gospel According to a Genealogy Matthew 1:1-17

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham:

² Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. ³ Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. ⁴ Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. ⁵ Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, ⁶ and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her *who had been the wife* of Uriah. ⁷ Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot ^[c]Asa. ⁸ Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and Joram begot Uzziah. ⁹ Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot Hezekiah. ¹⁰ Hezekiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot ^[d]Amon, and Amon begot Josiah. ¹¹ Josiah begot ^[e]Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon. ¹² And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. ¹³ Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and Eliakim begot Azor. ¹⁴ Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot Eliud. ¹⁵ Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and Matthan begot Jacob. ¹⁶ And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ. ¹⁷ So all the generations from Abraham to David *are* fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon *are* fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ *are* fourteen generations.

Why Start with a List?

What a Family Tree Reveals.

Meet the Family!

What Saves the Tree?

8. In what ways do you see your past, including your immediate and extended family, shaping who you are today?

9. Why do people tend to “edit” or distance themselves from parts of their story or family?

10. Which group in Jesus’ genealogy stands out most to you—and why (the forgotten, failures, or outsiders)? Give some examples and their stories.

11. Our tree is ruined. According to this passage, how does God begin to restore it?

12. Jesus is the “Branch” grafted into a dying tree to save it. Do some research on where in the Bible Jesus is described as “the branch.” What do you think that picture teaches about salvation?

13. How do your answers to 11 & 12 change how you view your past, present, and future?

Making It Real

14. Where are you most tempted to feel defined by your past or your family story? Discuss as a group how to address that given all that we’ve looked at.

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