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The Wonder of His Family

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- ✦ Matthew records back to Abraham
- ✦ Luke records back to Adam (Ch. 3)
- ✦ Traditionally would not include women
 - ✦ (Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, Mary)
- ✦ Some mentioned are not Jewish
- ✦ Many stories are not “family friendly”
- ✦ Demonstrates that the prophecies were fulfilled

Notes: _____

1. THE PROMISE

Matthew 1:1 (ESV)- The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

2. THE PEOPLE

Matthew 1:2-6 (ESV)- Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac... and Jacob...Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar...and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab...Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth...And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah...

3. THE PRESERVATION

Matthew 1:17 (ESV)-So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

4. THE PERSON

Matthew 1:22-23 (ESV)- All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel”

Life Application Section

A. Wonder at His Faithfulness.

Matthew 1:1 (ESV)- The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

B. Wonder at His Sovereignty.

Matthew 1:2 (ESV)- Abraham was the father of Isaac...

C. Wonder at His Love.

Matthew 1:5 (ESV)-and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab

D. Wonder at His Redemption

Matthew 1:6 (ESV)-And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah

E. Wonder at His Pursuit

Matthew 1:23 (ESV)-and they shall call his name Immanuel”

Here Is The Point: The Christmas story is full of Wonder!