

Jesus Is

Matthew 1:1-17; Luke 3:23-38

Representative of Heaven

Matthew 1:1 The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. **2** Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren; **3** And Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram; **4** And Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon; **5** And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse; **6** And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her that had been the wife of Urias; **7** And Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa; **8** And Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias; **9** And Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias; **10** And Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias; **11** And Josias begat Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were carried away to Babylon: **12** And after they were brought to Babylon, Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat Zorobabel; **13** And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor; **14** And Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud; **15** And Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob; **16** And Jacob begat 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; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon are fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations.

Luke 3:23 And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was the son of Heli,

The Book of Generations

- Access to the generation of Adam is through physical birth because this access will end with death.
 - o Genesis 5:1 – This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;
 - o Romans 5:12 – Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:
- Access to the generation of Jesus Christ is through spiritual birth, where life never ends.
 - o John 3:3 – Jesus answered and said unto him, *Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.*
 - o John 3:16 – *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

The Brokenness for Grace

- The promise of God's blessings among all nations was sent through the seed of Abraham.
 - o Genesis 22:18 – And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.
 - o Galatians 3:8 – And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.
 - o Galatians 3:16 – Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.

- However, not all of the names carried a positive reputation.
 - Tamar
 - Genesis 38 –
 - Rachab
 - Joshua 2 –
 - Hebrews 11:31 – By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.
 - Ruth
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 - Ruth 2:10 – Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I *am* a stranger?
 - Bathsheba
 - 2 Samuel 11 –

The Begetting is Gone

- The link to Joseph confirms the connection to David.
- However, Joseph did not beget Jesus; rather, Jesus was born of Mary, who was Joseph's wife.
- Joseph is from the line of David through his son Solomon.
- However, Luke 3:23-38 reveals that Mary is from the line of David through his son Nathan.

Restoration from Heaven

Luke 3:24 Which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi, which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Janna, which was *the son* of Joseph, **25** Which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Amos, which was *the son* of Naum, which was *the son* of Esli, which was *the son* of Nagge, **26** Which was *the son* of Maath, which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Semei, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Juda, **27** Which was *the son* of Joanna, which was *the son* of Rhesa, which was *the son* of Zorobabel, which was *the son* of Salathiel, which was *the son* of Neri, **28** Which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Addi, which was *the son* of Cosam, which was *the son* of Elmodam, which was *the son* of Er, **29** Which was *the son* of Jose, which was *the son* of Eliezer, which was *the son* of Jorim, which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi, **30** Which was *the son* of Simeon, which was *the son* of Juda, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Jonan, which was *the son* of Eliakim, **31** Which was *the son* of Melea, which was *the son* of Menan, which was *the son* of Mattatha, which was *the son* of Nathan, which was *the son* of David,

The Prophecy of His Kingship

- Though generations have looked for the fulfillment of the promise given to Abraham, their expectations were based on human understanding.
- The Jews were looking for a war hero with many accolades, when Jesus appeared as a humble representative of Heaven.
- The majesty of God was found in the stable, on the temple steps, in the garden alone, hanging on a cross, etc.

- The roots of Jesus being traced back to David edify the fruit He produced through His ministry on Earth.
 - o 2 Samuel 7:13 – He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.
 - o Psalm 89:3-4 – **3** I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant, **4** Thy seed will I establish for ever, And build up thy throne to all generations. Selah.
 - o Psalm 110:1-2 – **1** The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, Until I make thine enemies thy footstool. **2** The Lord shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: Rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.
 - o Daniel 2:44 – And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

The Presentation of His Kingship

- Matthew 27:11 – And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, *Thou sayest.*
- Luke 1:32-33 – **32** He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: **33** And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.
- Romans 14:9 – For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living.
- Hebrews 10:12-13 – **12** But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; **13** From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.

Root from Heaven

Luke 3:32 Which was *the son* of Jesse, which was *the son* of Obed, which was *the son* of Booz, which was *the son* of Salmon, which was *the son* of Naasson, **33** Which was *the son* of Aminadab, which was *the son* of Aram, which was *the son* of Esrom, which was *the son* of Phares, which was *the son* of Juda, **34** Which was *the son* of Jacob, which was *the son* of Isaac, which was *the son* of Abraham, which was *the son* of Thara, which was *the son* of Nachor, **35** Which was *the son* of Saruch, which was *the son* of Ragau, which was *the son* of Phalec, which was *the son* of Heber, which was *the son* of Sala, **36** Which was *the son* of Cainan, which was *the son* of Arphaxad, which was *the son* of Sem, which was *the son* of Noe, which was *the son* of Lamech, **37** Which was *the son* of Mathusala, which was *the son* of Enoch, which was *the son* of Jared, which was *the son* of Maleleel, which was *the son* of Cainan, **38** Which was *the son* of Enos, which was *the son* of Seth, which was *the son* of Adam, which was *the son* of God.

From Sinners

- Genesis 3:6-7 – **6** And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. **7** And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

- Genesis 3:12-13 – **12** And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. **13** And the Lord God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.
- James 1:14-15 – **14** But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. **15** Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

For Sinners

- Hebrews 2:17 – Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto *his* brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.
- Hebrews 9:24 – For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, *which are* the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:
- 1 John 2:1-2 – **1** My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: **2** And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for *the sins of* the whole world.

Forsaking Sin

- 2 Corinthians 5:21 – For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.
- Hebrews 4:15 – For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as *we are*, yet without sin.
- Hebrews 9:28 – So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.