

# Jesus' Genealogy: Interesting Roots

## Mathew 01:01–17

*(Lk 3:23-38)*

<p><b>1. <i>It shows Jesus to be the legal heir</i></b></p> <p>a. To the throne of David</p> <p>b. To the promises of Abraham</p> <p><b>2. <i>It shows all the descendants of faith that they have a part in Christ, Rom 4:11-12</i></b></p> <p><b>3. <i>It symbolizes God's glorious mercy</i></b></p> <p>a. In the Gentile Tamar being saved, Gen 38:24f.</p> <p>b. In the Gentile woman Rahab being saved, Jos 2:1f</p> <p>c. In the Gentile woman Ruth being saved, Ruth 1:1f</p> <p>d. In the sinful woman Bathsheba being used by God, 2 Sam 11-12</p> <p><b>4. <i>It demonstrates that God's grace is not inherited; it is given to those who obey and follow Him: The bad kings did not inherit the righteousness of the good kings.</i></b></p>	<p>1 A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham:</p> <p>2 Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,</p> <p>3 Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram,</p> <p>4 Ram the father of Amminadab, Amminadab the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the father of Salmon,</p> <p>5 Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse,</p> <p>6 And Jesse the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon, whose mother had been Uriah's wife,</p> <p>7 Solomon the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asa,</p> <p>8 Asa the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Jehoram, Jehoram the father of Uzziah,</p> <p>9 Uzziah the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah,</p>
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<p><b>5. It emphasizes the power of God to keep His promises</b></p> <p>a. In delivering His people through terrible times (the Babylonian captivity)</p> <p>b. In sending forth the Christ, the Messiah</p> <p><b>6. It symbolizes three generations of spiritual history</b></p> <p>a. Abraham – David: The birth and growth of Israel</p> <p>b. David – Babylonian captivity: The decline and enslavement of Israel</p> <p>c. Babylon – Christ: The liberation and triumph of Israel</p>	<p>10 Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amon, Amon the father of Josiah,</p> <p>11 And Josiah the father of Jeconiah and his brothers at the time of the exile to Babylon.</p> <p>12 After the exile to Babylon: Jeconiah was the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel,</p> <p>13 Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, Abiud the father of Eliakim, Eliakim the father of Azor,</p> <p>14 Azor the father of Zadok, Zadok the father of Akim, Akim the father of Eliud,</p> <p>15 Eliud the father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father of Matthan, Matthan the father of Jacob,</p> <p>16 And Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.</p> <p>17 Thus there were fourteen generations in all from Abraham to David, fourteen from David to the exile to Babylon, and fourteen from the exile to the Christ.</p>
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# Jesus' Divine Birth: Unusual Events

Mathew 01:18–24

(Lk. 01:26-28; 02:01-07)

<p><b>1. <i>His birth was of the Holy Spirit</i></b></p> <p><b>2. <i>His birth created a predicament</i></b></p> <p>a. Mary's predicament: She was pregnant before marriage</p> <p>b. Joseph's predicament: How to deal with Mary</p> <p>1) His character: A righteous man</p> <p>2) His solution: Not to expose Mary</p> <p><b>3. <i>His birth necessitated a special revelation from God</i></b></p> <p>a. God gave assurance</p> <p>1) Joseph was chosen</p> <p>2) Joseph was not to fear</p> <p>b. God guided: Joseph was to take Mary as His wife</p> <p>c. God explained: The child is of the Spirit</p> <p>d. God revealed the child's destiny</p> <p>1) His name: Jesus</p> <p>2) His mission: To save</p>	<p>18 This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>19 Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.</p> <p>20 But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>21 She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."</p>
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<p><b>4. <i>His birth was a fulfillment of prophecy, Isa 07:14</i></b></p> <p>a. Predicting His virgin birth</p> <p>b. Predicting His name: Emmanuel, God with us</p> <p><b>5. <i>His birth stirred a great obedience within Joseph</i></b> He wed Mary</p>	<p>22 All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had said through the prophet:</p> <p>23 “The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” – which means, “God with us.”</p> <p>24 When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife.</p>
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