

A Royal Lineage

Matthew

As the New Testament begins, fulfillment is in the air

Matthew 1:1

The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham

Isaiah 9:6-7

For a Child will be born to us, a Son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore.

Jeremiah 23:5-6

For "Behold, the days are coming," declares the Lord, "When I will raise up for David a righteous Branch; And He will reign as king and act wisely And do justice and righteousness in the land. In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will live securely; And this is His name by which He will be called, 'The Lord Our Righteousness.'

Ezekiel 37:24-25

And My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd; and they will walk in My ordinances, and keep My statutes and follow them. And they will live on the land that I gave to My servant Jacob, in which your fathers lived; and they will live on it, they, and their sons and their sons' sons, forever; and My servant David will be their leader forever.

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The good news of Jesus is available to those outside the Jewish community

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- V. 5 Rahab, Boaz, Ruth, Obed, Jesse

V. 6a - David

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V. 7 - Rehoboam, Abijah, Asa

- V. 6 David, Solomon, Bathsheba, Uriah
- V. 7 Rehoboam, Abijah, Asa
- V. 8 Jehoshaphat, Joram, Uzziah
- V. 9 Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah
- V. 10 Manasseh, Amon, Josiah
- V. 11 Jeconiah

- V. 12 Shealtiel, Zerubbabel
- V. 13 Abihud, Eliakim, Azor
- V. 14 Zadok, Achim, Eliud
- V. 15 Eleazar, Matthan, Jacob
- V. 16 Joseph and Mary

The lineage highlights a main theme in Scripture:

God's covenant faithfulness to His people despite their unfaithfulness

Post Tenebras Lux

"After darkness, light"

This is a list dripping with God's mercy

- Tim Keller

The genealogy makes us aware of God's grace

God takes His time, but always keeps His word

This list of names from the past should fill us with hope for the future

Matthew 1:21

She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins

Colossians 2:9

For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form

Nothing in fiction is so fantastic as the truth of the Incarnation.

- J.I. Packer

Matthew 1:17

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generation; from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

Rejoice

Christ, the Messiah, the Savior is born!