

# THE AMAZING, MESSY FAMILY TREE OF JESUS

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Introduction: Jesus Christ, God's eternal Son, descended humanly through the line of Abraham and David (Matthew 1:1).

- I. JESUS DESCENDED FROM ABRAHAM, THE FIRST JEW (MATTHEW 1:2-5).
  - Abraham's covenant/promise: His descendant (Jesus) would bless all people of the earth (Genesis 12:1-3; Galatians 3:8).
  - A. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob – God would bring the eternal Savior to the world through Jews (Matt. 1:2; Genesis 22:18, 26:4, 28:14).
  - B. Judah/Tamar – Judah's immorality continued the line (1:3).
  - C. Rahab – A prostitute is part of Jesus' line (1:5a; Joshua 2, 6).
  - D. Boaz/Ruth – God used tragedy in the life of a Gentile girl (1:5b; book of Ruth).
  
- II. JESUS DESCENDED FROM DAVID THE KING WITH AN ETERNAL THRONE (MATTHEW 1:6-11).
  - David's covenant/promise: His descendant (Jesus) would reign forever (2 Samuel 7:11-16; Isaiah 9:6-7; Luke 1:31-33).
  - A. David/Bathsheba – God used David's greatest sin (6).
  - B. Kings of Judah – God used godly and wicked kings (7-11).
  
- III. JESUS DESCENDED FROM THE JEWISH EXILES (MATTHEW 1:12-17).

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- The new covenant/promise: Jesus would change hearts and make all things new (Jeremiah 31:31-33).
- A. Jeconiah – God cursed him but used him (12; Jeremiah 22:30).
- B. Jesus' virgin birth – Son of Mary, but not Joseph (16).
  - *Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus".*