



The Crooked Family Tree

Micah 5:2 (NIV) "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."

Matthew 1:1-17 (NIV) ¹This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham: ²Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, ³Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram, ⁴Ram the father of Amminadab, Amminadab the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the father of Salmon, ⁵Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, ⁶and Jesse the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon, whose mother had been Uriah's wife, ⁷Solomon the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asa, ⁸Asa the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Jehoram, Jehoram the father of Uzziah, ⁹Uzziah the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, ¹⁰Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amon, Amon the father of Josiah, ¹¹and Josiah the father of Jeconiah and his brothers at the time of the exile to Babylon. ¹²After the exile to Babylon: Jeconiah was the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, ¹³Zerubbabel the father of Abihud, Abihud the father of Eliakim, Eliakim the father of Azor, ¹⁴Azor the father of Zadok, Zadok the father of Akim, Akim the father of Elihud, ¹⁵Elihud the father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father of Matthan, Matthan the father of Jacob, ¹⁶and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, and Mary was the mother of Jesus who is called the Messiah. ¹⁷Thus 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 Messiah.

1) Jesus' family tree steeped in long term HISTORY.

2) Jesus came for ALL PEOPLE.

The how and the why did Jesus come?

Matthew 1:21-23 (NIV) ²¹She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins. ²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us").

3) Jesus came to be LORD and SAVOR of our lives.

Additional Notes...

scriptures that relate

Monday: Micah 1	Wednesday: Micah 3	Friday: Micah 5
Tuesday: Micah 2	Thursday: Micah 4	Saturday: Micah 6

small groups—talk it over

1. What does knowing there were 700 prophecies of Jesus as Messiah do for your faith?
2. Does Jesus' family tree surprise you?
3. How does Immanuel, God with us, play out in everyday life?

pastor nathan's prayer requests

Monday: Pray for the church leadership as they prayerfully lead us.

Tuesday: Pray for Pastor Brian as he prepares the message God is giving him.

Wednesday: Pray for our discipleship classes and small groups.

Thursday: Pray for the Worship Arts department as we plan to deliver God's Word through art.

Friday: Pray for the youth and children in our church to be an impact to those around them.

Saturday: Pray for our weekend services and those attending.