

THE HUMAN LINEAGE OF THE KING
(Matthew 1:1-17)

- I. Establishing Jesus' ROYAL PEDIGREE
 - A. The SUBJECT of this book is JESUS (1:1)
 - 1. Jesus is *the* MESSIAH
 - 2. Jesus is "*the* son of DAVID"
 - 3. Jesus is "*the* son of ABRAHAM"
 - B. He lists 14 generations from ABRAHAM to DAVID
 - 1. Through ISAAC, not ISHMAEL (cf. Rom. 9:7-9)
 - 2. Through JACOB, not ESAU (cf. Rom. 9:10-13)
 - 3. Through JUDAH, not any of "his BROTHERS"
 - 4. Eventually through DAVID the KING
 - C. He lists 14 generations from DAVID to JECONIAH
 - D. He lists 14 generation from JECONIAH to JESUS
 - E. He establishes Jesus LEGAL claim to the THRONE (cf. Luke 3:23-38)

- II. Demonstrating God's DIVINE GRACE

- A. He highlights Jesus' descent from two NOTORIOUS SINNERS (1:1)
 - 1. David took the WIFE of a man who TRUSTED him, and BETRAYED that man to his DEATH (1:6)
 - 2. Abraham twice SOLD his WIFE to a pagan king
- B. He includes four WOMEN who were OUTSIDERS (1:3, 5, 6)
 - 1. TAMAR bore Perez to JUDAH (1:3; cf. Gen. 38:27)
 - 2. RAHAB bore BOAZ to Salmon (1:5; cf. 1 Chron. 2:11-12)
 - 3. RUTH bore OBED to Boaz (1:5; cf. Ruth 4:22; 1 Chron. 2:12)
 - 4. BATHSHEBA bore SOLOMON to David (1:6; cf. 2 Sam. 11:3)
- C. Jesus was born of MARY, herself a SINNER (1:16; cf. Lk. 1:46-48)