

A Genealogy of Grace
Matthew 1:1-17
December 19, 2021

1. Christ descended from Abraham (1-2)

2. Christ descended from David the king (3-6)

3. Christ descended from a chastised people (7-15)

4. Christ descended legally from Joseph but naturally only from Mary (16-17)

Next week: Luke 2:21-40

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Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others:

1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?
2. What is a genealogy?
3. What are the main purposes of this genealogy?
4. Was Joseph the father of Jesus? Explain.
5. What kind of people were Christ's ancestors?
6. What is God's grace?
7. How is God's grace received?

Going Deeper:

These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

1. How did this sermon challenge your thinking, or grow your understanding?
2. How does this genealogy fit together with Matthew's emphasis in this gospel?
3. What is the significance of Jesus being the son of Abraham, and the son of David?
4. Which of Christ's ancestors do you most relate to? Explain.
5. How in awe are you of God's grace toward you? Are you satisfied with this? Explain.
6. How should your relationship with Christ be impacted by the truth that Jesus was sent by a God of grace to be a King of grace?
7. What is the primary way you should be affected by this passage this week?