

Sermon Scripture Passage: Matthew 1:1, 2:1-6, 19-23

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, 2 saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." 3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; 4 and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 5 They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

*6 "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."*

19 But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, 20 saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." 21 And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. 22 But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. 23 And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, so that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, that he would be called a Nazarene.

Scripture References:

2 Samuel 2:14-16 – God's promise to David

14 I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, 15 but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. 16 And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.'"

John 7:41-42 - Still others asked, "How can the Messiah come from Galilee? Does not Scripture say that the Messiah will come from David's descendants and from Bethlehem, the town where David lived?"

Isaiah 11:1-2a – There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

2 And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him,

Matthew 28:18-20 – And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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The Big Story, Part Two #1 – Matthew 1-2 – The Birth of Jesus

Out of the 4 gospel writers only Matthew and _____ give the account of the birth of Jesus.

Matthew is making the case Jesus is the Messiah the Jewish people had been _____ for!

Note: There had been other _____ Messiahs who had been executed by Rome

Matthew 1:1-17 Jesus descended of David & Abraham could _____ OT promises

Son of David 2 Samuel 2 – Your _____ will last forever.

Son of Abraham Gen 22: through your _____ all nations on earth will be blessed.

1:18-25 *What differing meanings do both Matthew and Luke give for the virgin birth?*

2:1-6 Being born in Bethlehem fulfills the words of the prophet _____.

2:7-11 The Magi: For the birth of a king, other nations would send _____ with gifts

2:12, 16-18 Herod was not the Messiah but merely the _____-appointed King of the Jews

2:13-15 Jesus, like the OT Hebrews through the patriarch Joseph, found _____ in Egypt.

2:19-21 The people knew that the Messiah doesn't come from _____ (see John 7:41)

2:22-23 Jesus grew up in the town called Nazareth so he was called a _____.

Two options: Jesus was a Nazarite or Matthew was using Hebrew _____.

Isaiah 11:1 – Says that a _____ or “netzer” will come from the stump of Jesse.

Matthew 28:18 *If we are not Jewish, why should we care if Jesus was the Messiah?*

Matthew 28:19-20 *What 4 things characterize being part of the people of God?*

Answers for the blanks:

- Luke
- Waiting
- False
- Fulfill
- Throne
- Offspring

1:18-25 *What differing meanings do both Matthew and Luke give for the virgin birth?*

Matthew emphasizes that the virgin birth fulfills Scripture – Isaiah 7:9

Luke emphasizes that means therefore the child will be called Son of the Most High

- Micah
- Emissaries
- Roman
- Refuge
- Galilee
- Nazarene
- Wordplay
- Branch

Matthew 28:18 *If we are not Jewish, why should we care if Jesus was the Messiah?*

- All authority has been given to Christ!

Matthew 28:19-20 *What 4 things characterize being part of the people of God?*

- Disciple – I have decided to follow Jesus and I will go where he leads me!
- Baptized – Galatians 2:20 – My life belongs to Jesus Christ and He is living within me!
- Teaching – I am growing in my understanding and love for my Lord and my God
- Presence – Even when I stumble and fall, Jesus is with me no matter what!