

# **Abraham And David**

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Matthew 1:1 (ESV)

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

**Years ago I was in a Bible study led by a local preacher and one of the individuals attending said, "People did not know who Jesus was when HE first came. How would we recognize Jesus if HE came today?" The preacher said, "That is a good question! Just like they didn't really know for sure then, we may not really know for sure now. But like the first time, we would recognize Jesus by the good works HE does." I thought, "That's not right!" Jesus did many good things, but HIS genealogy was clearly laid out by God before HIS birth. Also the Bible clearly describes Jesus' return. This is very important because Jesus said many false Christs will come deceiving many. Let us use an outrageous example. Suppose I did some incredible miracles like raising the dead. Then I claimed to be Jesus incarnate. First of all being the Bible scholars you are, you would look at my genealogy and say, "You were born in New Mexico and your grandfather was a half breed Indian." Then you may say, "You are gifted, but you aren't Jesus." The Bible clearly tells us Jesus' genealogy, how we will recognize HIM, how HE will come, and HIS purpose for coming. Let us look at Jesus' human geology. The Bible says Jesus is the son of Abraham. Therefore we will go the "First Mention" of Jesus' Abrahamic genealogy.**

Genesis 12:1–2 (ESV)

Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> **And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.**

**We see God calling Abraham and promising to make him a blessing to the world. We see that God will accomplish this promise by greatly blessing Abraham’s “seed”! Like we learned last week, seed is translated offspring in most modern translations. The NASB uses the literal term “seed”.**

Genesis 22:17–18 (NASB95)

<sup>17</sup> I will greatly bless you, and **I will greatly multiply your seed** as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and **your seed** shall possess the gate of their enemies.

<sup>18</sup> **In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed!**

**Everyone agrees that Abraham is the father of the Jewish people! God is going to greatly multiply Abraham’s “seed” and all nations will be blessed through Abraham’s “seed”! **The God of the universe is coming to earth to redeem the world through the Jewish people! Jesus the son of Abraham therefore comes through the Jewish people.****

**This is Jesus' earthly lineage: the son of Abraham or the seed of Abraham. Gal.3:16 is one of the most insightful verses in the NT about the "seed" of Abraham.**

**From Gal. 3:16 we can see the workings of the divine plan of God plus a tremendous insight about how to interpret Scripture.**

**Galatians 3:16 (NIV)**

**The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. Scripture does not say "and to seeds," meaning many people, but "and to your seed," meaning one person, who is Christ.**

**God is going to bless all people of the world through Abraham's seed and that term seed is not plural meaning many seeds like the Jewish nation but that term is singular meaning one seed, Jesus.**

**Genesis 22:18 (NASB95)**

**In your seed (Christ) all the nations of the earth shall be blessed!**

**The genealogy unfolding in the OT was to identify Jesus. Jesus not born in New Mexico of a half-breed Indian grandfather, but Jesus born in Israel the son of Abraham. This is the legal lineage of Jesus to and through Joseph HIS adoptive father. At the manger scene, it is Joseph and Mary.**

**However, Jesus does not have a human father. As we learned last week, the divine seed comes through a virgin girl, Mary, first mentioned in:**

Genesis 3:15 (NASB95)

And I will put enmity  
Between you (Satan) and the woman,  
And between your seed and **her seed**!

**Mary is also Jewish, and her lineage is in Luke 3:23-38 and is traced back to Adam.**

Luke 3:23 (NASB95)

When He began His ministry, Jesus Himself was about thirty years of age, **being, as was supposed, the son of Joseph!** (but in reality was the son of Mary and traced all the way back to Adam)

Luke 3:38 (NASB95)

... ... the son of Seth, the son of Adam, **the son of God.**

**Jesus is not only the Son of God HE is the Son of Man!**

**Now just a quick word about David!**

2 Samuel 7:12-14 (NASB95)

<sup>12</sup> I will raise up your descendant after you, who will come forth from you, and **I will establish his kingdom.**

<sup>13</sup> **I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.**

<sup>14</sup> **I will be a father to him and he will be a son to Me!**

**Solomon the weak fleshly descendant failed!  
Jesus the divine perfect descendant didn't fail!**

**Finally Jesus declares that HE is the perfect divine descendant of David.**

Revelation 22:16 (NASB95)

**"I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."**

**Wow, God has everything lined up just the way HE wanted it and fulfilled everything that HE promised. Every single thing God has said in the Bible will come to pass.**

**Therefore we have full confidence in Jesus Christ and the Word of God! This Christmas we celebrate with full assurance that the Bible is true and that God will do everything HE promised in the Bible.**

**Therefore we have full assurance that Jesus has secured for us a place in heaven!**

2Cor.5:21 (NIV)

God made HIM who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in HIM we might become the righteousness of God.

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