

Jesus, the Great I AM

(6) The Genealogy of the Messiah

Matthew's genealogy of Christ...Mt.1:1-16

What was prophesied regarding the Messiah of Israel? IISam.7:8-17; Is.9:6-7; Lu.1:32-33

The Messiah MUST be of the house and lineage of David. His kingdom will be eternal.

So why is it critical to know the lineage (genealogy) of Christ?

To prove, especially to the Jews, that Christ has the *legal* right to the Messianic throne.

How then is the genealogy of Christ shown in the Gospel of Matthew? Mt.1:1, 2-16; Lu.2:4

It is the lineage of Christ to David, and Abraham, from *Joseph*, the 'legal' father of Jesus.

What is Matthew's answer to the question of Christ's 'right' to the Messianic throne?

A solid and resounding YES. Christ is the prophesied 'son of David' to take this throne.

*What was the legitimate question to Christ re this throne/kingdom? Acts.1:6

Is it now? Are you restoring the kingdom to Israel? This is a valid question for the Jews.

*And what is the answer? Acts 1:7 ; Mt.24:36; IThess.5:1-2

Restoring the kingdom/throne to Israel is not revealed to you. It's in the Father's authority

Luke's genealogy of Christ...Lu.3:23-38

Comparing Mt.1:1-16 with Lu.3:23-38, what is one difference? Lu.3:31 cp Mt.1:6

One lineage is to David thru Solomon and the other is to David thru Nathan.

Why this difference between these two accounts? Lu.3:23; Mt.1:16

Matthew is the *legal* lineage of *Joseph* to David. Luke is the *blood* lineage of *Mary* to David

Because of this dual lineage to David, is there any valid challenge to Christ as Messiah?

Absolutely none. Both legally and by blood, by "father" and by mother, all is exact!

What is one other obvious difference between the two genealogies? Lu.3:38 cp Mt.1:2

Matthew covers Abraham to Christ. Luke covers Christ to Adam.

What might this lineage all the way to Adam be demonstrating? Gen.3:15; ICor.15:45

Likely His 100% humanity. 2nd Adam, seed of the woman, Christ as the *Son of Man*.

John's genealogy of Christ...Jn.1:1-3

What is the summation of John's genealogy of Christ, the Word? 1:1

What is God's genealogy?? In the beginning He was. Always the same. *Son of God*.

What (3) truths are taught by these (3) genealogies?

Christ is 1. Messiah, King of Kings. 2. Son of man, 100% man. 3. Son of God, 100% God.

Which of these is the most important??
