

## Questions for Matthew 1:1-17

1. What is the purpose of genealogies in the Bible in general and Matthew's genealogy in particular? (verse 1)

2. Why is David's name given before Abraham, yet the genealogy begins with Abraham? (verse 1)

3. Who are the women included in the genealogy of Jesus and why were they mentioned? (verses 2-6)

4. Which line of David's descendants is the focus of Matthew's genealogy as opposed to Luke's (Luke 3:23-38)? (verses 7-15)

5. What does Matthew mean when he wrote that Jesus "is called Christ?" (verse 16)

6. Matthew omitted several kings from his genealogical list apparently to achieve the round number of "fourteen generations." Why might he have done this? (verse 17)