



THE KING IS COMING

The Jewish genealogies had a PURPOSE. They were necessary to determine who would INHERIT the promises made to Abraham, who would be PRIESTS, and to identify the MESSIAH, the son of David.

But we can also learn a lot about the NATURE of God. For example, His POWER (to sustain the family line), TRUSTWORTHINESS (to fulfill the promises), and GRACE (to bring sinners into His family line). A valuable lesson is, despite our MORAL failures, God can use us to fulfill His plans, and we can have a relationship with Him through the seed of Abraham—Jesus.

The Mission of the King

Mt 1: Jesus is the promised KING who will BLESS all nations. And those who bow to Him will realize these blessings through the FORGIVENESS of sins that the King will BESTOW!

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Mt 2: Jesus is presented as King with an unconventional form of ROYALTY—lowly birth but received gifts and worship suited for a king. But there's a THREAT to the promise of chapter one!

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That is where Matthew's narrative works in the HOPEFUL imagery of the exodus. Jesus is the new Moses (LEADER) and will lead God's people out of Israel (a new EXODUS) to a new CREATION. God preserved both of them from death—so they could establish a covenant and lead God's people to the PROMISED land.

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Mt 3: PREPARE for the King! The King is here!



**King Jesus has all AUTHORITY.
Will you submit to the King?**