

Matthew 1 Sermon Notes

Opening

- Bathroom, clarification, goal with Matthew

The Genealogy

- 14 Generations
 - Skipped people for this number
 - Abraham to David
 - Boaz by Rahab - v5
 - Separated by 200 years roughly
 - David to Exile
 - Jehoram to Uzziah? - v8
 - Skips Ahaziah, Joash, and Amaziah
 - Josiah to Jechoniah; skips Jehoiakim - v11
 - Exile to Messiah
 - Uncertain
 - Why 14 then?
 - No one knows
 - Speculation & gematria
- True Genealogy
 - Matthew knows not descended from Joseph
 - *Matthew 1:20*
 - God, Jesus by Mary
 - This is Joseph's genealogy
 - Mary's genealogy theory
 - Luke 3
- Adoption
 - Lineage, not bloodline
 - Caleb
 - *Exodus 12:37-38*
 - Mixed multitude; other conquests of Egypt?
 - *Numbers 32:11-12*
 - *Genesis 15:18-21*
 - *Numbers 13:1-16 - v6*
 - Kenaz clan?

- *Genesis 36:9-11*
 - Non-Israelite regardless
 - Zerubbabel - v12
 - *1 Chronicles 3:16-24*
 - Nephew
 - Adoption or Levirate marriage
 - Jesus
 - Raised by Joseph
 - Tribe of Judah
- King David
 - The purpose of genealogy
 - *2 Samuel 7:12-16*
 - God's promise to David
 - *1 Kings 11:9-13*
 - Corruption in David's line
 - *Luke 1:30-33*
 - Jesus fulfills the covenant
 - Jesus referred to as "Son of David" (Matthew 1:1 & throughout Matthew)
 - Son of Joseph
 - Son of God

Joseph

- Why Mary & Joseph?
 - David, of course
 - Lots of virgins
 - Type of man Joseph is
- Heartbreak
 - Infidelity, from his perspective
- Joseph's love
 - Consequences of adultery
 - *Deuteronomy 22:23-24*
 - Chose peaceful option
 - Saved the one who betrayed him
 - Has a legal right to extreme justice
- Joseph's obedience
 - Trust God

- Raising children
 - Blood responsibility
 - Adopted responsibility
 - God's son responsibility
- Emotional whiplash
- Joseph's commitment
 - He follows through
 - Refuses to lay with Mary for 9 months
 - *Leviticus 15:16-18*
 - Being unclean is a big deal
 - Should the vessel of the Messiah be unclean?

Light from Darkness

- Bring you down to raise you up
- Joseph of Canaan
 - *Genesis 50:20*
 - The famine
- Jesus
 - Salvation
- Joseph of Bethlehem
 - From betrayal to raising the Son of God
- Bring you down to raise you up – reiteration
 - Birthing pains of something
 - *Romans 8:28 NIV*

Stay Faithful

- If God can bring good from evil...
 - Free to sin?
 - *Romans 3:5-8*
 - Called to be righteous
 - *Romans 6:1-4 & 1 John 3:5-6*
 - Judged according to actions
 - *Romans 2:4-8*
 - God can bring good from evil
 - We shouldn't be the cause

- Stay faithful
 - No matter what; live righteously
 - All things are for our good...
 - Could be best thing
 - Trust God
 - *Habakkuk 3:17-19*
- Song – Psalm 55 Poor Bishop Hooper
 - Absalom and Ahithophel