

The Forgotten Jesus Podcast

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Title – The Promise, The King, The Christ

Description – Today on the podcast we will examine the Genealogy in Matthew 1 and uncover right from the start the first two themes Matthew is pointing to in Jesus.

Today on the Podcast, we're getting into the Genealogy in Matthew 1

To Recap: The three themes of Matthew

1. Jesus is the new Moses
2. Jesus is the son of David
3. Jesus is God in the flesh, God with us.

Robby believes that Matthew was probably the first Gospel, because he's talking all about the issues the Jewish community was facing in trying to live out the law. Also, Eusebius was a 1st century early church father and he believed Matthew was first and written in Hebrew.

But if you're Matthew, why start with a Genealogy?

Remember, there were 12 so-called messiah's who rose up, who gathered people and who were killed, or done away with. Jews knew that the messiah had to come from the line of David, so Matthew is establishing his credibility.

We even have a few examples of some of those so-called messiahs given to us in the Bible.

Acts 5:33-42

³³When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. ³⁴But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law who was respected by all the people, stood up in the Sanhedrin and ordered the men to be taken outside for a little while. ³⁵He said to them, "Men of Israel, be careful about what you're about to do to these men. ³⁶Some time ago Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a group of about four hundred men rallied to him. He was killed, and all his followers were dispersed and came to nothing. ³⁷After this man, Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and attracted a following. He also perished, and all his followers were scattered. ³⁸So in the present case, I tell you, stay away from these men and leave them alone. For if this plan or this work is of human origin, it will fail; ³⁹but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You may even be found fighting against God." They were persuaded by him. ⁴⁰After they called in the apostles and had them flogged, they ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. ⁴¹Then they went out from the presence of the Sanhedrin, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to be treated shamefully on behalf of the Name. ⁴²Every day in the temple, and in various homes, they continued teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah.

The bible is full of genealogies. The first is in Genesis 5, then Genesis 10, and then Moses's genealogy in Exodus 6.

So, what happens in Exodus 6? God calls Moses out of the burning bush and tells him what he's going to do. Then what happens? We get an account of Moses's genealogy, showing who his family was. (Exodus 6:14-26)

And what happens right after the genealogy of Moses in Exodus 6? It's the start of Moses's ministry to the Israelites, God begins the plagues on Egypt, to bring His people out of bondage.

Moses is the savior-redeemer of the people of Israel. He delivered them from bondage in Egypt.

Matthew is trying to show Jesus is the new, better Moses. Even Moses said that God was going to be a prophet after him, one like him. Deuteronomy 18:15 - "15 "The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own brothers. You must listen to him."

Why did the people trace their "Father" to Abraham, instead of Moses?

God promised Abraham three things:

1. Numerous descendants
2. The Land
3. From his lineage the Messiah would come

God promised David that a descendant of his would rule and reign as the eternal King forever.

Burton Throckmorton: Gospel Parallels

<https://www.amazon.com/Gospel-Parallels-Comparison-Synoptic-Standard/dp/0840774842/>