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# The Forgotten Jesus Podcast Discussion Guide Season 3 Episode 6 The Two Marks of The Messiah

What were some of the signs the Jewish people were looking for in the coming Messiah? Today, we'll examine two of those marks, one from the northern kingdom of Israel and one from the southern kingdom of Judah.

## Introduction

**Recap:** Last week on *The Forgotten Jesus Podcast*, we began looking at the genealogy of Jesus and the 3 major themes of Matthew. We looked at connections between Moses and Jesus, and the usage of genealogies throughout Scripture.

Take a few minutes to review this week's episode and what stuck out to everyone from the episode.

Why do you think Matthew was so focused on proving Jesus was the promised Messiah?

## **Discussion**

What were the requirements for someone to claim the throne of David as the Messiah?

Have someone read aloud Matthew 1:20-25, Matthew 3:11, and Matthew 3:13-17

- 1. Gabriel (brings good news from God)
- 2. John the Baptist
- 3. God at Jesus' baptism (Through the Holy Spirit, spoke from Heaven)

How do each of these stories help prove Jesus is the Messiah?



# **Application**

Have someone read aloud Matthew 1:1-17.

Where do we see gematria in Matthew's genealogy? What does this highlight for us in genealogy?

What are some other examples of gematria in Scripture? How can these, in the right context, give us a deeper understanding of Scripture?

How can taking Scripture out of context be detrimental?

How does understanding the context the Bible was written in help protect us from misunderstanding it?

## **Pray**

At the end of your conversation, spend some time praying as a group. Here are some prompts:

Pray for wisdom and discernment from the Holy Spirit each time we read the Bible.

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## Bema Discipleship Podcast

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