



The Birth of Jesus

Matthew 1:1-2

¹ An account of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: ² Abraham fathered Isaac, Isaac fathered Jacob,

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¹⁶ and Jacob fathered Joseph the husband of Mary, who gave birth to Jesus who is called the Messiah. ¹⁷ So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations; and from David until the exile to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the exile to Babylon until the Messiah, fourteen generations.

¹⁸ The birth of Jesus Christ came about this way: After his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, it was discovered before they came together that she was pregnant from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ So her husband, Joseph, being a righteous man, and not wanting to disgrace her publicly, decided to divorce her secretly.

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²⁰ But after he had considered these things, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, don't be afraid to take Mary as your wife, because what has been conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." ²² Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: ²³ See, the virgin will become pregnant and give birth to a son, and they will name him Immanuel, which is translated "God is with us." ²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did as the Lord's angel had commanded him. He married her ²⁵ but did not have sexual relations with her until she gave birth to a son. And he named him Jesus.

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So all the generations from Abraham to David were **fourteen generations**; and from David until the exile to Babylon, **fourteen generations**; and from the exile to Babylon until the Messiah, **fourteen generations**.

What is the meaning of fourteen generations?

- 7 - The Number of Perfection
- x 2 - The Number for a Testimony
- 14 - A PERFECT TESTIMONY

3 - The Divine Number

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and **Jacob fathered Joseph** the husband of Mary, who gave birth to Jesus who is called the Messiah.

Why is it the genealogy of Joseph?

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So all the generations from **Abraham to David** were fourteen generations; and from **David until the exile to Babylon**, fourteen generations; and from **the exile to Babylon until the Messiah**, fourteen generations.

Why is a prostitute, an unclean Gentile and a lousy king listed?

God Can Use All Kinds of People

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Galatians 4:4-5

⁴ When the time came to completion, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

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God Can Do the Impossible

Matthew 1:20

But after he had considered these things, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, don't be afraid to take Mary as your wife, because **what has been conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit**."

Incarnation = To Take On Flesh

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Jesus Is The Only Acceptable Payment for Your Sin

Matthew 1:23

See, the virgin will become pregnant and give birth to a son, and they will name him Immanuel, which is translated "God is with us."

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1 Timothy 2:5-6

⁵ For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all, a testimony at the proper time.

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WITH GOD, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE

WITH GOD, _____ IS IMPOSSIBLE

SURRENDER

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