**THE GENEALOGY OF JESUS THE MESSIAH**

Matthew 1:1-17

Key Verse 1:1

"A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham."

1. Read verses 1-5. Why is Jesus called the Messiah, the son of David, and the son of Abraham? (1, Gen 12:2, 2Sa 7:12) What can we learn from God who fulfilled His promise through Abraham’s descendants and three women? (2b-5)

2. Read verses 6-11. Why might the author have mentioned David’s sin of adultery? (6) How did God fulfil His promise in the period of the kings despite their wickedness? What led the Israelites to become exiles to Babylon?

3. Read verses 12-17. Why did God maintain David’s line even during the dark times through a series of otherwise unknown names? Who were chosen as Jesus’ parents? (16) What can we learn from God who kept His promise through 42 generations?