## The Gospel of Matthew

# "The Genesis of Messiah"





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Col. 1:15 He (Jesus) is the image of the invisible God, the <u>firstborn</u> of all creation. [16] For <u>by</u> Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created <u>through</u> Him and <u>for</u> Him. [17] And He is <u>before all things</u>, and in Him all things hold together.

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<u>His Plan</u>:

- a) Select a man (Abraham), transform him into a Jew, build this 1 man into a Nation, and then eventually save the world thru this Nation
- b) The Nation despite God's efforts refuses to cooperate with God to make this happen (for millennia)
- So what does the Father do?
- c) He sends His Son, births Him thru the lineage of Israel, as a Jew...fulfilling God's original saving promise to save the world thru Israel by doing it Himself

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I Sam. 7:12 When your days (David) are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish His kingdom. [13] He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of His kingdom forever.

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I Kings 15:5 because David did what was right in the eyes of the LORD and did not turn aside from anything that He commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.

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What do you see when you put all these ladies together?

- a) Gender outsiders = women
- *b)* Racial outsiders = mostly non-Jews
- *c) Moral outsiders* = *Prostitutes, incestuous ancestry*

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Hebrews 4:15-16 For we do not have a High Priest (Jesus) who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. [16] Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

### Closing thoughts:

- 1) Doesn't matter who you are or what you have done you are defined by Jesus, not YOU
- 2) Calls us to LIVE the same way