

# Matthew 1 – A new beginning

## Study Guide – Reference Verses

### New Covenant

Jeremiah 31:31 Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah  
Hebrews 8:13 In that He says, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.

Matthew 5:17 Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

### Fullness of time

Galatians 4:4-5 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons

### Son of Abraham

Genesis 12:3 I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

### Son of David

2 Samuel 12-13,16 "When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <sup>16</sup> And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever."

### Virgin Birth

Genesis 3:15 "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

**Judah and Tamar** - Genesis 38

**Rahab** - Joshua 2

**Uzziah** - 2 Chronicles 26

**Hezekiah** - 2 Kings 20

**Josiah** - 2 Kings 22, 23

## Discussion Questions:

1. Whose genealogy is Matthew tracing?
2. Think about the various people in Jesus' genealogy. With whom do you identify the most? Why?
3. Why does Matthew record four women in the lineage of Jesus? Why are they important?
4. Who is the only person in the genealogy who is listed with his title? Why?
5. How does Joseph respond after finding out how God is going to use him to bring forth this new beginning? How can we apply this to our lives?

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