Understand your Bible reading plan





Introduction

The start of Matthew's record of the life of Jesus Christ. The birth of Jesus.

Questions

- 1. What is the first thing Matthew tells us about Jesus Christ?
- 2. What was unusual about Mary's pregnancy?
- 3. What did the angel say that Jesus had come to do?



Summary Points

- v 1 to 17 Genealogy from Abraham through David to Joseph, Mary's husband. Matthew lists three sets of 14 generations from Abraham through David to Jesus Christ (see theme)
- v 18 to 20 Mary becomes pregnant by God's Holy Spirit power. Joseph, her husband-to-be considers ending their relationship when he discovers she is pregnant. An angel explains what has happened and tells him to take her as his wife
- v 21 to 25 Joseph is told that Mary's baby is to be called Jesus because he will save his people from their sins. The birth is in fulfilment of Bible prophecy

Timeline AD 30 (see below)



Theme

Titles of Jesus - son of David

A selection of verses showing that Jesus is often called the son of David.

Matthew starts his gospel by telling us that Jesus is David's son:

Matthew 1 verse 1

Many people address Jesus as son of David in Matthew's gospel:

9 verse 27

12 verse 23

15 verse 22

20 verses 30 and 31

21 verse 9

22 verses 41 and 42

Questions & Answers

Verses that answer the questions:

Q 1: v 1, Q 2: v 18, Q 3: v 21



Bible timeline

