

Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham

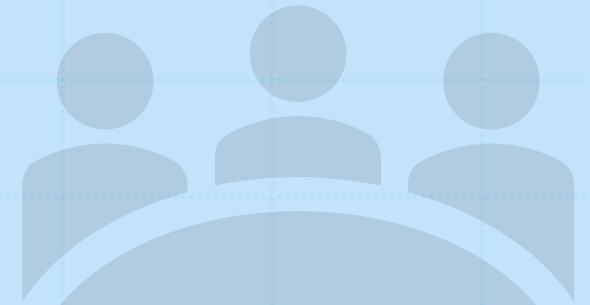
Series:
The Gospel
According to
Matthew

The book of the generation
of Jesus Christ, the son of
David, the son of Abraham

Matthew 1:1

To Abraham were the promises spoken and to his seed

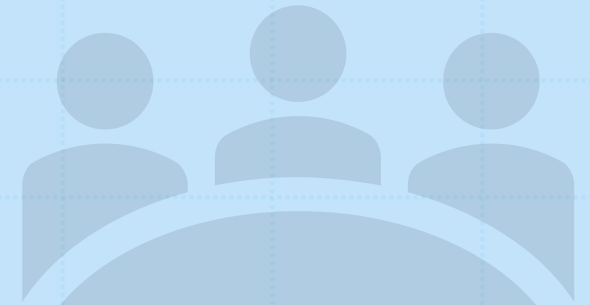
- God wants to bless all the nations of the earth. We see this in God's promise to Abraham.
- **Genesis 22:18** And in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.
- The New Testament book of Galatians brings this ancient promise to us, the Gentiles.
- **Galatians 3:14** In order that the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.
- **Galatians 3:16** But to Abraham were the promises spoken and to his seed. He does not say, And to the seeds, as concerning many, but as concerning one: "And to your seed," who is Christ.
- The Apostle Paul in the New Testament tells us that Abraham's seed is Christ. The following footnote on Galatians 3:16 from the Recovery Version of the Bible is very insightful.
- "Christ is the seed, and the seed is the heir who inherits the promises. Here, Christ is the unique seed who inherits the promises. Hence, in order to inherit the promised blessing, we must be one with Christ. Outside of Him we cannot inherit the promises given by God to Abraham. **In God's eyes Abraham has only one seed, that is, Christ. We must be in Him that we may participate in the promises given to Abraham.** He is not only the seed who inherits the promises but also the blessing of the promises to be inherited by us."



- What is Abraham's story?
- We can see that the blessing of Abraham is the Spirit! **We** are a part of the nations that were supposed to be blessed with the Spirit. How can we receive this blessing?
- Deeper Study: As the son of Abraham, Isaac typifies Christ. If you have more time, go back and read Genesis 22:1-13. Can you see Christ's death and resurrection there?

Solomon, David's seed, is a type of Christ who inherits the kingdom

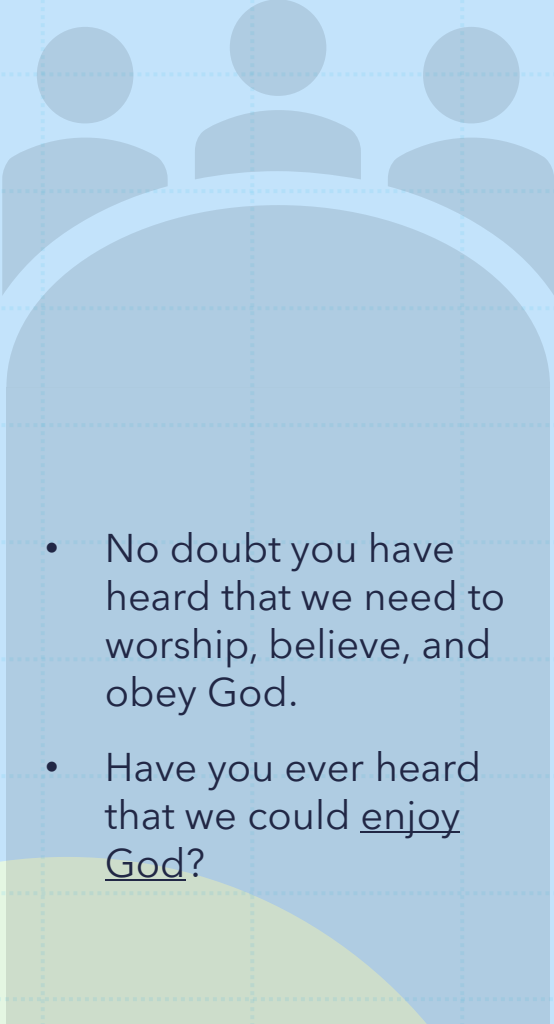
- **2 Samuel 7:12-14a** When your days are fulfilled and you sleep with your fathers, I will raise up your seed after you, which will come forth from your body, and **I will establish his kingdom**. It is he who will build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his Father, and he will be My son.
- **Hebrews 1:5** For to which of the angels has He ever said, "You are My Son; this day have I begotten You"? And again, "I will be a Father to Him, and He will be a Son to Me"?
- In speaking about Christ, the author of Hebrews 1:5 quotes 2 Samuel 7:14. This verse shows us that David's seed is Christ. Christ as the King with the Kingdom fulfills 2 Samuel.
- **As the son of David, Christ brings us into the kingdom of the heavens; thus, the title "son of David" in Matthew 1:1 signifies the kingdom.**
- **Matthew 5:3** Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of the heavens.
- **Mathew 16:19** I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of the heavens, and whatever you bind on the earth shall have been bound in the heavens, and whatever you loose on the earth shall have been loosed in the heavens.
- **Mathew 28:18** And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.
- Christ brings us into the kingdom of the heavens and Christ has been given all authority!



- Who was David and who was Solomon?
- Deeper Study: As the son of David, Solomon typifies Christ. If you have more time, go back and read Acts 13:32-35. Can you connect these verses with 2 Samuel 7:14a?

Receiving Christ first as the son of David and then as the son of Abraham

- **Matthew 1:1** The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham
- The gospel is the gospel of the kingdom. The gospel of the kingdom charges people to repent of rebellion, to come back to God's rule, and to receive the King. This has to be first.
- There are many blessings which God wants for us including spirituality, growth in life, maturity in life, being brought into function, and becoming overcomers; however, we must realize that these things do not come first. To ask for these things before Christ is ruling in us is to ask for Christ to be Isaac, the son of Abraham, before He is Christ as the son of David.
- Before He is the son of Abraham to us, He must be the son of David to us. He has to subdue, defeat, and rule over us. When He rules us in this way, He blesses us.
(R.K., Crystallization Study of Matthew (1), Message 1)
- **If we are lacking in joy, this may be because we are disobeying Christ in some way.**
- **1 Peter 1:8** Whom having not seen, you love; into whom though not seeing Him at present, yet believing, you exult with **joy** that is unspeakable and full of glory,
- **Romans 14:17** For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and **joy** in the Holy Spirit.
- By receiving Christ as our King and living under His ruling, we **enjoy God** as our blessing.

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- No doubt you have heard that we need to worship, believe, and obey God.
 - Have you ever heard that we could enjoy God?