



43 - Genealogies of Jesus Christ

There are two genealogies of Jesus Christ that are documented, one by Luke and one by Matthew. The most common explanation for the two is that the listing by Matthew is the "Royal/Legal" line from which Joseph (Jesus' stepfather) descended and the listing by Luke is the "Natural/Legal" line from which Mary (Jesus' mother) descended.



- ➔ The two genealogies are identical from God through David then they split with the sons of David and Bathsheba. Solomon is the oldest son and carries the Royal Davidic lineage (right to the throne) while Nathan is the 2nd son and carries the Davidic Heir lineage.
- ➔ **Luke (3:23)** calls Joseph the "son of Heli". Matthew (1:16) tells us "Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary" making Joseph the son of Jacob. This seems to contradict Luke (3:23); however, Joseph is the "son of Heli" based on reckoning of the law because he was the husband of Mary whose father was Heli. **Luke (2:4-5)** tells us "he was of the house and lineage of David" and Mary was his "betrothed wife, who was with child". **Matthew (1:20-21)** calls Joseph "son of David".
- ➔ Per **Deuteronomy (29:20)**, God "blotted out" the names of five kings in the lineage given by Matthew. Three descendants of Joram were killed by violent deaths. **Ahaziah** was killed by Jehu [**2nd Kings (9:27)**], Joash was killed by his servants [**2nd Kings (12:20)**], and Amaziah was killed by the people of Jerusalem [**2nd Kings (14:19)**]. Likewise, two descendants of Josias were blotted out from the list. **Jehoiakim** due to the abominations he did [**2nd Chronicles (36:8)**] and **Jechoniah** due to sin and idolotry [**Jeremiah (22:24-30)**].
- ➔ Three sets of 14 generations in **Matthew (1:17)** Abraham to David, David to Josias (captivity in Babylon), and Jechonias to Jesus.

By Luke (3:23-38)

1	Natural Ancestry
2	Davidic Heir Lineage (Nathan)
3	Line of Mary (Seed of the Woman)



By Matthew (1:1-16)

1	Legal Ancestry
2	Royal Davidic Lineage (Solomon)
3	Line of Joseph (son of David)

1	God	27	Esrom	53	Addi
2	Adam	28	Aram	54	Melchi
3	Seth	29	Aminadab	55	Neri
4	Enos	30	Naasson	56	Salathiel
5	Cainan	31	Salmon	57	Zorobabel
6	Maleleel	32	Booz	58	Rhesa
7	Jared	33	Obed	59	Joanna
8	Enoch	34	Jesse	60	Juda
9	Mathusala	35	David	61	Joseph
10	Lamech	36	Nathan	62	Semei
11	Noe	37	Mattatha	63	Mattathias
12	Sem	38	Menan	64	Maath
13	Arphaxad	39	Melea	65	Nagge
14	Cainan	40	Eliakim	66	Esli
15	Sala	41	Jonan	67	Naum
16	Heber	42	Joseph	68	Amos
17	Phalec	43	Juda	69	Mattathias
18	Ragau	44	Simeon	70	Joseph
19	Saruch	45	Levi	71	Janna
20	Nachor	46	Matthat	72	Melchi
21	Thara	47	Jorim	73	Levi
22	Abraham	48	Eliezer	74	Matthat
23	Isaac	49	Jose	75	Heli
24	Jacob	50	Er	76	Joseph (Mary)
25	Juda	51	Elmodam	77	Jesus Christ
26	Phares	52	Cosam		

1	Abraham	21	Ozias
2	Isaac	22	Joatham
3	Jacob	23	Achaz
4	Judas	24	Ezekias
5	Phares	25	Manasses
6	Esrom	26	Amon
7	Aram	27	Josias
8	Aminadab	X	Jehoiakim
9	Naasson	X	Jechoniah
10	Salmon	28	Jechonias
11	Booz	29	Salathiel
12	Obed	30	Zorobabel
13	Jesse	31	Abiud
14	David	32	Eliakim
15	Solomon	33	Azor
16	Roboam	34	Sadoc
17	Abia	35	Achim
18	Asa	36	Eliud
19	Josaphat	37	Eleazar
20	Joram	38	Matthan
X	Ahaziah	39	Jacob
X	Joash	40	Joseph
X	Amaziah	41	Jesus Christ

NOTE: The names listed here are from the King James Version (KJV).