



## 37 - 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.



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- 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 ( <b>Nathan</b> )
3	Line of Mary (Seed of the Woman)



### By Matthew (1:1-16)

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

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

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

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