

## Exercise for Matthew 1:1 – 17

1. The first verse of the New Testament begins with “The genealogy of Jesus Christ.” Another important genealogy is located in Genesis 5. Whose genealogy is it?
2. The word “genealogy” begins with the prefix, “gen,” which means: producer. From a dictionary look up the definition of the following “gen” words:

gene(s)	gender	genealogy	general	genital
generate	generation	genesis	genetic	generous

3. Now, compare and ponder these words in relationship to what is stated in Genesis 1:1. Why do you think the first book of the Bible is called, “Genesis?”
4. There are five women mentioned in the genealogy recorded in Matthew 1. Who are these five women? (Matthew 1:3, 5, 6 and 16)
5. For the identity of the woman listed in Matthew 1:6, see 2 Samuel 11:3 and 2 Samuel 12:24. Who is it?
6. Jesus came through 42 generations. These 42 generations are categorized as “14 x 3.” From Matthew 1:17, what are the three distinct categories of the generations?
7. One of the predominant words in Matthew 1:1 – 16 is “begot.” From a dictionary, look up how the word “begot” (or “beget”) is defined? Also, look up the words, “begin” and “beginning.”
8. Now, compare these words to Genesis 1:1; John 1:1 and John 3:16.
9. Why do you think that genealogies are important?
10. Matthew 1:1 tells us that Jesus Christ is “the Son of David,” and “the Son of Abraham.” From the following verses, who else is Jesus Christ called, “the Son of?” Matthew 8:20; Matthew 27:43