

30 A.D.

THE JESUS STORY

Who Is This Guy Anyway?
Luke 3:21-37

Jesus is now about 30 years old (Luke 3:23)

- ① Levites
Numbers 4:47
- ② Joseph
Genesis 41:46
- ③ David
2 Samuel 5:4

Genealogy

Similarities

- ① Abraham to David.
- ② Shealtiel and Zerubbabel.
- ③ Mary, Joseph and Jesus.

Differences

- ① Matthew's list is in descending order from father to son. Luke's list is ascending from son to father.
- ② Matthew's genealogical record traces back to Abraham, Luke's genealogical record traces back to Adam and goes back further to our creator, God.
- ③ A great majority of the names from one list is absent from the other list.
- ④ Matthew's genealogical list is shorter than Luke's. The generations don't match.

What we know

- ① The word "son" is elastic.
1 Chronicles 3:14-19
- ② Genealogies were important and records were well kept.
- ③ We have two different lines to David.
2 Samuel 5:14, 1 Chronicles 3:5
- ④ Matthew and Luke have different purposes.
Matthew - Written to the Jews.
Luke - Written to the Gentiles.

What we probably know

- ① Matthew traces back from David to Joseph.
- ② Luke traces back from David to Mary.

Baptism

Why did Jesus get baptized?

- ① To start and confirm his public ministry.
- ② Give a picture of what his public ministry would do.
Dove -
Voice - "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Conclusion

Jesus is the Son of God!

But don't forget, we are adopted to be one with HIM.
Galatians 4:4-7

LifeGroup Questions - Doing Life Together

Week of January 21-27, 2018

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Sermons can be viewed online at creeksideeg.com/sermon

Questions are based on the NIV translation of the Bible

PRAYER

Begin your time together by thanking God that Jesus' lineage clearly shows His connection to the Jewish nation through Abraham (Matthew 1:1-17) as their Messiah, but also His connection to all humans through Adam (Luke 3:23-38) as the Savior of the world.

MY STORY

1. Have you ever studied your own ancestry? If so, how far back did you go, and what did you learn?

DIGGING DEEPER

2. In the message this past Sunday, what point or principle gave you new insight into either Jesus' baptism or His genealogy?
3. Why do you think the writers of Matthew and of Luke both put genealogies of Jesus in their books?
4. Why do you think Matthew leads with Jesus' genealogy while Luke has it come after Jesus' baptism? Which approach is more impactful to you as a reader?
5. The writers of Matthew and Luke were communicating to different audiences. Since the writer of Matthew was writing primarily to a

Jewish audience, why would he show the connection between Jesus and Abraham? Since the writer of Luke was writing to all people, why would he show the connection between Jesus and Adam?

DIGGING EVEN DEEPER

6. What instruction does the Bible give regarding genealogies in 1 Timothy 1:3-7? Why does this not apply to Jesus' genealogies?
7. Read Luke 3:21-22. How would it make you feel to hear these words from someone you deeply care about, "You are Mine, I love you, and with you I am very pleased"? Do you believe is also how God feels about you?

TAKING IT HOME

8. Sometime in this week, intentionally tell your spouse, your children or someone you love that you love them, are proud of them and are glad they are in your life.
9. Regarding your connection with Jesus, what does John 1:12 teach? If we are His followers what is our relationship to Jesus and to one another?
10. What did you learn from Jesus' baptism that you can apply to your life this week?

PRAYING TOGETHER

Pray for the needs of your group, and thank God that if you have placed your faith in Christ, you are now related to Jesus and to fellow believers!