**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW**

**NOTES TO REMEMBER FOR EACH LESSON:**

**-** List the verses you used if the verse isn’t mentioned in the question.

**-** Questions are based on the NKJV and Scripture is in *italics*.

**- Word Studies** may be answered with a concordance and/or a dictionary.

**-** A **Challenge Question** may require some prior Bible knowledge but give it a try.

**- EXTRA INFO:**  Information that may be helpful.

**- PERSONAL QUESTION:** Sharing something personal from God’s word if you like.

**- DISCUSSION:** Relating what happened at the time to what is going on now.

**LESSON 1 - The King Has Come**

**Matthew 1:1-2:12**

**EXTRA INFO:**  This genealogy skips some generations, taking the lineage of Jesus Christ back to the nation’s inception by the Abrahamic Covenant. It shows the royal line of Jesus through the kings of Israel giving Him the right to the throne through His legal father, Joseph. Mary’s genealogy in Luke 3:23-38, moves backward from Jesus all the way to Adam establishing His physical descent from David.

**DAYS ONE & TWO** **-** Read Matthew 1:1-17 (The Ancestry of the King)

1. Do a **Word Study** of the meaning of the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

*Answer here*

2. What two ancestors are named first in verse 1, giving Jesus Christ His messianic title and His royal lineage going back to the beginning of the nation of Israel?

*Answer here*

3. Who were the three original patriarchs leading to the tribe of Judah in verse 2?

*Answer here*

4. Why will the tribe of Judah be so important in end times in Revelation 5:4-5?

*Answer here*

5. Reading Matthew 2-5, name the 3 women in this genealogy who received God’s divine grace, even though the 1st was a Canaanite, the 2nd a Gentile, and the 3rd a Moabite.

*Answer here*

6. As *David the king begot Solomon* in verse 6, what are we told about Solomon’s mother?

*Answer here*

7. How does Josiah’s son, Jeconiah (also known as Jehoiachin and Coniah), present a problem by being on this list leading to Christ Jesus? Read Jeremiah 22:28-30.

*Answer here*

8. What word or words were used over and over in your Bible to describe the bringing forth of a child in Matthew 1:2-15?

*Answer here*

9. How is Jesus’ father described in verse 16 without these words from question 8?

*Answer here*

10. While not knowing the exact significance of the number fourteen, how does verse 17 describe these three groups of generations from Abraham to Christ?

*Answer here*

**DAY THREE -** Read Matthew 1:18-25 (His Arrival))

1. After being betrothed to Joseph, what does verse 18 tell us about how Mary was pregnant before they came together?

*Answer here*

2. What did Joseph plan to do in verse 19, since he was a just man, not wanting to make her a public example?

*Answer here*

3. How did Joseph learn the truth in verse 20?

*Answer here*

4. What wonderful news was given by that angel of the Lord to Joseph in verse 21 and 23 that showed him the fulfillment of Isaiah 7:14 and 9:6-7?

*Answer here*

5. How did Joseph obey the words of this angel in Matthew 1:24-25?

*Answer here*

**DAYS FOUR & FIVE -** Read Matthew 2:1-12 (The Adoration of the King)

1. Describe what happened after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king in Matthew 2:1-2.

*Answer here*

2. How did Herod react, along with *all Jerusalem* in verses 3-4, when he heard about these *wise men from the East* who came to worship this *King of the Jews*?

*Answer here*

3. When Herod asked the chief priests and scribes *where the Christ was to be born,* how did they answer in Matthew 2:5-6?

*Answer here*

4. What was left out in Matthew from this original prophecy in Micah 5:2, showing us the eternal deity of Jesus Christ?

*Answer here*

5. What did Herod do in Matthew 2:8, after learning from the wise men what time the star had appeared?

*Answer here*

6. As the wise men followed the star in the East *till it came and stood over where the young child was*, how did they react in Matthew 2:10?

*Answer here*

7. What do you think the phrase in verse 11, *when they had come into the house,* tells us? Also read Luke 2:7

*Answer here*

8. What was the first thing the men did in Matthew 2:11 when *they saw the young Child with Mary His mother?*

*Answer here*

9. What gifts did the wise men offer that were fit for a king?

*Answer here*

10. How did these men know *that they should not return to Herod* but depart *for their own country by another way*?

*Answer here*

**DISCUSSION:** As this lesson has already shown us many fulfilled prophecies coming to pass, how does this give believers confidence that all the wonderful prophecies about our future will also happen? Read Isaiah 46:9-10 and 2 Peter 1:19-21.

*Answer here*