

Immanuel Jesus
Matthew 1:1-25
Key Verse: 1:23

1. Read verse 1. Whose genealogy is this? How did God's promises to David and Abraham point to Jesus the Messiah? (Ge 12:2; 2Sa 7:12,13; Ro 4:3,6,23-25)
2. Read verse 2. How did Abraham, Isaac and Jacob reveal their faith in God's promises and in his kingdom? (Heb 11:9) Read verses 3-5. Who are the 3 women mentioned here? What did they have in common? (Gen 38:25,26; Heb 11:31; Ru 1:14,16)
3. Read verses 6-11. What do the men in these verses have in common with each other and with King David? How are many of them different? Why is it important that this kingly line be maintained? (1Ki 11:36; 2Ch 21:7; 2Ki 8:19)
4. Read verses 12-17. What led to the exile? (Jer 25:4,8) How was God with his people in this time of suffering? (16,17) Who was Joseph?
5. Read verses 18-20. How did the birth of Jesus the Messiah come about? What was Joseph's important role in the birth of the Messiah? (17, 19,20, 24-25) What was his personal struggle? (19-20) How did God help him resolve it? What can we learn?
6. Read verses 21-23. What do these verses teach us about who Jesus is? Why is it important that he fulfilled prophecy? How did God show that he was with his people throughout history? What does it mean to us that the Messiah and Savior is Immanuel, God with us?