

## **The Tsunami Blessing, Inside and Out, Part 87 Scriptures**

**Part 2 of 2 - Jesus' ancestry remained undercover from the foundations of the world. Look at whom God used in His divine purpose and plan to usher Jesus Christ's birth into the world. Each one had her own fight, but God gave all of them the unfair advantage of hosting His presence and power to ensure victory. All were undetected to the enemy, therefore unexpected by the enemy. God chose them to allure satan into the battle to ambush him by Jesus Christ's death, burial, resurrection, and ascension.**

**Each one entered into the War Room. After the fight was finished, each one exited the battlefield with the banner of victory in her hand. This week's lesson will unveil the last three of the six women. Ruth's impeccable honor and humility repositioned her to birth Obed. Bathsheba's dauntless courage to approach King David ensured his successor to the throne was Solomon. Mary's unwavering faith gave her God's favor to usher Jesus Christ into the world. That is the beginning of how God never withheld His best gift, Jesus Christ from you. Posture your heart to welcome the habitation of God. Stay in the place He endorsed, empowered, and endowed for you. Then you too will be equipped to take the spoils of war.**

**Remember, it does not matter how small or great your contribution seems to be, when Holy Spirit adds His super on your natural, you have the supernatural disposition that declares your calling and election undisputable. Arise as a member of the body of Christ. Take your place as the Bride of Christ, i.e., His War Bride.**

### **Ruth - God is honored when you observe Communion**

Ruth 1-4 King James Version (KJV)

**1** Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Bethlehemjudah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sons.

<sup>2</sup>And the name of the man was Elimelech, and the name of his wife Naomi, and the name of his two sons Mahlon and Chilion, Ephrathites of

Bethlehemjudah. And they came into the country of Moab, and continued there.

<sup>3</sup>And Elimelech Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her two sons.

<sup>4</sup>And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one was Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten years.

<sup>5</sup>And Mahlon and Chilion died also both of them; and the woman was left of her two sons and her husband.

<sup>6</sup>Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that the LORD had visited his people in giving them bread.

<sup>7</sup>Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was, and her two daughters in law with her; and they went on the way to return unto the land of Judah.

<sup>8</sup>And Naomi said unto her two daughters in law, Go, return each to her mother's house: the LORD deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD grant you that ye may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband. Then she kissed them; and they lifted up their voice, and wept.

<sup>10</sup>And they said unto her, Surely we will return with thee unto thy people.

<sup>11</sup>And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: why will ye go with me? are there yet any more sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?

<sup>12</sup>Turn again, my daughters, go your way; for I am too old to have an husband. If I should say, I have hope, if I should have an husband also to night, and should also bear sons;

<sup>13</sup>Would ye tarry for them till they were grown? would ye stay for them from having husbands? nay, my daughters; for it grieveth me much for your sakes that the hand of the LORD is gone out against me.

<sup>14</sup>And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her.

<sup>15</sup>And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her people, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law.

<sup>16</sup>And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God:

<sup>17</sup>Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the LORD do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me.

<sup>18</sup>When she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.

<sup>19</sup>So they two went until they came to Bethlehem. And it came to pass, when they were come to Bethlehem, that all the city was moved about them, and they said, Is this Naomi?

<sup>20</sup>And she said unto them, Call me not Naomi, call me Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.

<sup>21</sup>I went out full and the LORD hath brought me home again empty: why then call ye me Naomi, seeing the LORD hath testified against me, and the Almighty hath afflicted me?

<sup>22</sup>So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabite, her daughter in law, with her, which returned out of the country of Moab: and they came to Bethlehem in the beginning of barley harvest.

**2** And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech; and his name was Boaz.

<sup>2</sup>And Ruth the Moabite said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of corn after him in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.

<sup>3</sup>And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on a part of the field belonging unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.

<sup>4</sup>And, behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said unto the reapers, The LORD be with you. And they answered him, The LORD bless thee.

<sup>5</sup>Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, Whose damsel is this?

<sup>6</sup>And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, It is the Moabitish damsel that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab:

<sup>7</sup>And she said, I pray you, let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves: so she came, and hath continued even from the morning until now, that she tarried a little in the house.

<sup>8</sup>Then said Boaz unto Ruth, Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another field, neither go from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens:

<sup>9</sup>Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of that which the young men have drawn.

<sup>10</sup>Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldst take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger?

<sup>11</sup>And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore.

<sup>12</sup>The LORD recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.

<sup>13</sup>Then she said, Let me find favour in thy sight, my lord; for that thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken friendly unto thine handmaid, though I be not like unto one of thine handmaidens.

<sup>14</sup>And Boaz said unto her, At mealtime come thou hither, and eat of the bread, and dip thy morsel in the vinegar. And she sat beside the reapers: and he reached her parched corn, and she did eat, and was sufficed, and left.

<sup>15</sup>And when she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, Let her glean even among the sheaves, and reproach her not:

<sup>16</sup>And let fall also some of the handfuls of purpose for her, and leave them, that she may glean them, and rebuke her not.

<sup>17</sup>So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was about an ephah of barley.

<sup>18</sup>And she took it up, and went into the city: and her mother in law saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gave to her that she had reserved after she was sufficed.

<sup>19</sup>And her mother in law said unto her, Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where wroughtest thou? blessed be he that did take knowledge of thee. And she shewed her mother in law with whom she had wrought, and said, The man's name with whom I wrought to day is Boaz.

<sup>20</sup>And Naomi said unto her daughter in law, Blessed be he of the LORD, who hath not left off his kindness to the living and to the dead. And Naomi said unto her, The man is near of kin unto us, one of our next kinsmen.

<sup>21</sup>And Ruth the Moabite said, He said unto me also, Thou shalt keep fast by my young men, until they have ended all my harvest.

<sup>22</sup>And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, It is good, my daughter, that thou go out with his maidens, that they meet thee not in any other field.

<sup>23</sup>So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of barley harvest and of wheat harvest; and dwelt with her mother in law.

**3** Then Naomi her mother in law said unto her, My daughter, shall I not seek rest for thee, that it may be well with thee?

<sup>2</sup>And now is not Boaz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he winnoweth barley to night in the threshingfloor.

<sup>3</sup>Wash thyself therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon thee, and get thee down to the floor: but make not thyself known unto the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking.

<sup>4</sup>And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do.

<sup>5</sup>And she said unto her, All that thou sayest unto me I will do.

<sup>6</sup>And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

<sup>7</sup>And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.

<sup>8</sup>And it came to pass at midnight, that the man was afraid, and turned himself: and, behold, a woman lay at his feet.

<sup>9</sup>And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman.

<sup>10</sup>And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich.

<sup>11</sup>And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all the city of my people doth know that thou art a virtuous woman.

<sup>12</sup>And now it is true that I am thy near kinsman: howbeit there is a kinsman nearer than I.

<sup>13</sup>Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, as the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning.

<sup>14</sup>And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she rose up before one could know another. And he said, Let it not be known that a woman came into the floor.

<sup>15</sup>Also he said, Bring the vail that thou hast upon thee, and hold it. And when she held it, he measured six measures of barley, and laid it on her: and she went into the city.

<sup>16</sup>And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who art thou, my daughter? And she told her all that the man had done to her.

<sup>17</sup>And she said, These six measures of barley gave he me; for he said to me, Go not empty unto thy mother in law.

<sup>18</sup>Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day.

**4** Then went Boaz up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold, the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here. And he turned aside, and sat down.

<sup>2</sup>And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, Sit ye down here. And they sat down.

<sup>3</sup>And he said unto the kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab, selleth a parcel of land, which was our brother Elimelech's:

<sup>4</sup>And I thought to advertise thee, saying, Buy it before the inhabitants, and before the elders of my people. If thou wilt redeem it, redeem it: but if thou wilt not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know: for there is none to redeem it beside thee; and I am after thee. And he said, I will redeem it.

<sup>5</sup>Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy it also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance.

<sup>6</sup>And the kinsman said, I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance: redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem it.

<sup>7</sup>Now this was the manner in former time in Israel concerning redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; a man plucked off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbour: and this was a testimony in Israel.

<sup>8</sup>Therefore the kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy it for thee. So he drew off his shoe.

<sup>9</sup>And Boaz said unto the elders, and unto all the people, Ye are witnesses this day, that I have bought all that was Elimelech's, and all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi.

<sup>10</sup>Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ye are witnesses this day.

<sup>11</sup>And all the people that were in the gate, and the elders, said, We are witnesses. The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and do thou worthily in Ephratah, and be famous in Bethlehem:

<sup>12</sup>And let thy house be like the house of Pharez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which the LORD shall give thee of this young woman.

<sup>13</sup>So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto her, the LORD gave her conception, and she bare a son.

<sup>14</sup>And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed be the LORD, which hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.

<sup>15</sup>And he shall be unto thee a restorer of thy life, and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath born him.

<sup>16</sup>And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it.

<sup>17</sup>And the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he is the father of Jesse, the father of David.

<sup>18</sup>Now these are the generations of Pharez: Pharez begat Hezron,

<sup>19</sup>And Hezron begat Ram, and Ram begat Amminadab,

<sup>20</sup>And Amminadab begat Nahshon, and Nahshon begat Salmon,

<sup>21</sup>And Salmon begat Boaz, and Boaz begat Obed,

<sup>22</sup>And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.

### Isaiah 52:10-15 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>10</sup>The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

<sup>11</sup>Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean thing; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the LORD.



<sup>12</sup>For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: for the LORD will go before you; and the God of Israel will be your reward.

<sup>13</sup>Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high.

<sup>14</sup>As many were astonished at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:

<sup>15</sup>So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider.

### Isaiah 53 King James Version (KJV)

Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

<sup>2</sup>For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

<sup>3</sup>He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

<sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

<sup>8</sup>He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

<sup>9</sup>And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

<sup>11</sup>He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

### 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>23</sup>For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:

<sup>24</sup>And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

<sup>25</sup>After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

<sup>26</sup>For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

<sup>27</sup>Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

<sup>28</sup>But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

<sup>29</sup>For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

<sup>30</sup>For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

<sup>31</sup>For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

<sup>32</sup>But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

## **Bathsheba – God is honored when you live Consecrated**

2 Samuel 11 King James Version (KJV)

**11** And it came to pass, after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth to battle, that David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried still at Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon.

<sup>3</sup>And David sent and enquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?

<sup>4</sup>And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.

<sup>5</sup>And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am with child.

<sup>6</sup>And David sent to Joab, saying, Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to David.

<sup>7</sup>And when Uriah was come unto him, David demanded of him how Joab did, and how the people did, and how the war prospered.

<sup>8</sup>And David said to Uriah, Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet. And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there followed him a mess of meat from the king.

<sup>9</sup>But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.

<sup>10</sup>And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house, David said unto Uriah, Camest thou not from thy journey? why then didst thou not go down unto thine house?

<sup>11</sup>And Uriah said unto David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open fields; shall I then go into mine house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? as thou livest, and as thy soul liveth, I will not do this thing.

<sup>12</sup>And David said to Uriah, Tarry here to day also, and to morrow I will let thee depart. So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow.

<sup>13</sup>And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he made him drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house.

<sup>14</sup>And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah.

<sup>15</sup>And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die.

<sup>16</sup>And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he assigned Uriah unto a place where he knew that valiant men were.

<sup>17</sup>And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell some of the people of the servants of David; and Uriah the Hittite died also.

<sup>18</sup>Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war;

<sup>19</sup>And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of telling the matters of the war unto the king,

<sup>20</sup>And if so be that the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, Wherefore approached ye so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would shoot from the wall?

<sup>21</sup>Who smote Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall? then say thou, Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

<sup>22</sup>So the messenger went, and came and shewed David all that Joab had sent him for.

<sup>23</sup>And the messenger said unto David, Surely the men prevailed against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them even unto the entering of the gate.

<sup>24</sup>And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants; and some of the king's servants be dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

<sup>25</sup>Then David said unto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say unto Joab, Let not this thing displease thee, for the sword devoureth one as well as another: make thy battle more strong against the city, and overthrow it: and encourage thou him.

<sup>26</sup>And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband.

<sup>27</sup>And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD.

## 2 Samuel 12 King James Version (KJV)

And the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.

<sup>2</sup>The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds:

<sup>3</sup>But the poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter.

<sup>4</sup>And there came a traveller unto the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him.

<sup>5</sup>And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, As the LORD liveth, the man that hath done this thing shall surely die:

<sup>6</sup>And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.

<sup>7</sup>And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;

<sup>8</sup>And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things.

<sup>9</sup>Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in his sight? thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.

<sup>10</sup>Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.

<sup>11</sup>Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.

<sup>12</sup>For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.

<sup>13</sup>And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the LORD. And Nathan said unto David, The LORD also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.

<sup>14</sup>Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto thee shall surely die.

<sup>15</sup>And Nathan departed unto his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick.

<sup>16</sup>David therefore besought God for the child; and David fasted, and went in, and lay all night upon the earth.

<sup>17</sup>And the elders of his house arose, and went to him, to raise him up from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eat bread with them.

<sup>18</sup>And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead: for they said, Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spake unto him, and he would not hearken unto our voice: how will he then vex himself, if we tell him that the child is dead?

<sup>19</sup>But when David saw that his servants whispered, David perceived that the child was dead: therefore David said unto his servants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead.

<sup>20</sup>Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed himself, and changed his apparel, and came into the house of the LORD, and worshipped: then he came to his own house; and when he required, they set bread before him, and he did eat.

<sup>21</sup>Then said his servants unto him, What thing is this that thou hast done? thou didst fast and weep for the child, while it was alive; but when the child was dead, thou didst rise and eat bread.

<sup>22</sup>And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept: for I said, Who can tell whether GOD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?

<sup>23</sup>But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.

<sup>24</sup>And David comforted Bathsheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon: and the LORD loved him.

<sup>25</sup>And he sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and he called his name Jedidiah, because of the LORD.

<sup>26</sup>And Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city.

<sup>27</sup>And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought against Rabbah, and have taken the city of waters.

<sup>28</sup>Now therefore gather the rest of the people together, and encamp against the city, and take it: lest I take the city, and it be called after my name.

<sup>29</sup>And David gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it, and took it.

<sup>30</sup>And he took their king's crown from off his head, the weight whereof was a talent of gold with the precious stones: and it was set on David's head. And he brought forth the spoil of the city in great abundance.

<sup>31</sup>And he brought forth the people that were therein, and put them under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brick-kiln: and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned unto Jerusalem.

## 1 Kings 1-2 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

**1** And King David was old and advanced in years; they covered him with [bed]clothes, but he could not get warm.

<sup>2</sup>So his servants [the <sup>[a]</sup>physicians] said to him, Let there be sought for my lord the king a young virgin, and let her wait on and be useful to the king; let her lie in your bosom, that my lord the king may get warm.

<sup>3</sup>So they sought a fair maiden through all the territory of Israel and found Abishag the Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

<sup>4</sup>The maiden was beautiful; and she waited on and nursed him. But the king had no intercourse with her.

<sup>5</sup>Then Adonijah son of [David's wife] Haggith exalted himself, saying, I [the eldest living son] will be king. And he prepared for himself chariots and horsemen, with fifty men to run before him.

<sup>6</sup>David his father had never in his life displeased him by asking, Why have you done so? He was also a very attractive man and was born after Absalom.

<sup>7</sup>He conferred with <sup>[b]</sup>Joab son of Zeruah [David's half sister] and with Abiathar the priest, and they followed Adonijah and helped him.



<sup>8</sup> But Zadok the priest, Benaiah son of Jehoiada, Nathan the prophet, Shimei, Rei, and David's mighty men did not side with Adonijah.

<sup>9</sup> Adonijah sacrificed sheep, oxen, and fatlings by the Stone of Zoheleth, which is beside [the well] En-rogel; and he invited all his brothers, the king's sons, and all the royal officials of Judah.

<sup>10</sup> But Nathan the prophet, Benaiah, the mighty men, and Solomon his brother he did not invite.

<sup>11</sup> Then Nathan said to Bathsheba the mother of Solomon, Have you not heard that Adonijah, the son of Haggith, reigns and David our lord does not know it?

<sup>12</sup> Come now, let me advise you how to save your own life and your son Solomon's.

<sup>13</sup> Go to King David and say, Did you not, my lord, O king, swear to your handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne? Why then does Adonijah reign?

<sup>14</sup> Behold, while you are still talking there with the king, I also will come in after you and confirm your words.

<sup>15</sup> So Bathsheba went in to the king in his chamber. Now the king was very old *and* feeble, and Abishag the Shunammite was ministering to [him].

<sup>16</sup> Bathsheba bowed and did obeisance to the king. The king said, What do you wish?

<sup>17</sup> And she said to him, My lord, you swore by the Lord your God to your handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me and sit upon my throne.

<sup>18</sup> And now, behold, Adonijah is reigning, and, my lord the king, you do not know it.

<sup>19</sup>He has sacrificed oxen and fatlings and sheep in abundance, and has invited all the king's sons and Abiathar the priest and Joab the commander of the army. But he did not invite Solomon your servant.

<sup>20</sup>Now, my lord O king, the eyes of all Israel are on you, to tell who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after you.

<sup>21</sup>Otherwise, when my lord the king shall sleep with his fathers, I and my son Solomon shall be counted as offenders.

<sup>22</sup>While she was still talking with the king, Nathan the prophet also came in.

<sup>23</sup>The king was told, Here is Nathan the prophet. And when he came before the king, he bowed himself before him with his face to the ground.

<sup>24</sup>And Nathan said, My lord the king, have you said, Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne?

<sup>25</sup>He has gone this day and sacrificed oxen, fatlings, and sheep in abundance, and has invited all the king's sons, the captains of the host, and Abiathar the priest; and they eat and drink before him and say, Long live King Adonijah!

<sup>26</sup>But me your servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada, and your servant Solomon he has not invited.

<sup>27</sup>Is this done by my lord the king and you have not shown your servants who shall succeed my lord the king?

<sup>28</sup>Then King David answered, Call Bathsheba. And she came into the king's presence and stood before him.

<sup>29</sup>And the king took an oath and said, As the Lord lives, Who has redeemed my soul out of all distress,

<sup>30</sup>Even as I swore to you by the Lord, the God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead—even so will I certainly do this day.

<sup>31</sup> Bathsheba bowed with her face to the ground and did obeisance to the king and said, Let my lord King David live forever!

<sup>32</sup> King David said, Call Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada. And they came before the king.

<sup>33</sup> The king told them, Take the servants of your lord and cause Solomon my son to ride on my own mule and bring him down to Gihon [in the Kidron Valley].

<sup>34</sup> And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel. Then blow the trumpet and say, Long live King Solomon!

<sup>35</sup> Then you shall come up after him, and he shall come and sit on my throne, for he shall be king in my stead; I have appointed him ruler over Israel and Judah.

<sup>36</sup> And Benaiah son of Jehoiada answered the king and said, Amen! May the Lord, the God of my lord the king, say so too.

<sup>37</sup> As the Lord has been with my lord the king, even so may He be with Solomon and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord King David.

<sup>38</sup> So Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, Benaiah son of Jehoiada, the Cherethites, and the Pelethites [the king's bodyguards] went down and caused Solomon to ride upon King David's mule and brought him to Gihon.

<sup>39</sup> Zadok the priest took a horn of oil out of the tent and anointed Solomon. They blew the trumpet and all the people said, Long live King Solomon!

<sup>40</sup> All the people followed him; they played on pipes and rejoiced greatly, so that the earth [resounded] with the joyful sound.

<sup>41</sup> And Adonijah and all the guests with him heard it as they finished feasting. When Joab heard the trumpet sound, he said, What does this uproar in the city mean?

<sup>42</sup>While he was still speaking, behold, Jonathan son of Abiathar the priest came. And Adonijah said, Come in, for you are a trustworthy man and bring good news.

<sup>43</sup>Jonathan replied, Adonijah, truly our lord King David has made Solomon king!

<sup>44</sup>The king has sent him with Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, Benaiah son of Jehoiada, the Cherethites and the Pelethites, and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule.

<sup>45</sup>Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon; they have come up from there rejoicing, so the city resounds. This is the noise you heard.

<sup>46</sup>Solomon sits on the royal throne.

<sup>47</sup>Moreover, the king's servants came to congratulate our lord King David, saying, May God make the name of Solomon better than your name and make his throne greater than your throne. And the king bowed himself upon the bed

<sup>48</sup>And said, Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, Who has granted me to see one of my offspring sitting on my throne this day.

<sup>49</sup>And all the guests that were with Adonijah were afraid and rose up and went every man his way.

<sup>50</sup>And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose and went [to the tabernacle tent on Mt. Zion] and caught hold of the horns of the altar [as a fugitive's refuge].

<sup>51</sup>And it was told Solomon, Behold, Adonijah fears King Solomon, for behold, he has caught hold of the horns of the altar, saying, Let King Solomon swear to me first that he will not slay his servant with the sword.

<sup>52</sup>Solomon said, If he will show himself to be a worthy man, not a hair of him shall fall to the ground; but if wickedness is found in him, he shall die.

<sup>53</sup>So King Solomon sent, and they brought Adonijah down from the altar [in front of the tabernacle]. He came and bowed himself to King Solomon, and Solomon said to him, Go to your house.

**2** When David's time to die was near, he charged Solomon his son, saying,

<sup>2</sup>I go the way of all the earth. Be strong and show yourself a man;

<sup>3</sup>Keep the charge of the Lord your God, walk in His ways, keep His statutes, His commandments, His precepts, and His testimonies, as it is written in the Law of Moses, that you may do wisely *and* prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn,

<sup>4</sup>That the Lord may fulfill His promise to me, saying, If your sons take heed to their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart *and* mind and with all their soul, there shall not fail you [to have] a man on the throne of Israel.

<sup>5</sup>You know also what Joab son of Zeruiah did to me, and what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, Abner son of Ner and Amasa son of Jether, whom he murdered, avenging in time of peace blood shed in war, and putting innocent blood of war on the girdle on his loins and on the sandals of his feet.

<sup>6</sup>Do therefore according to your wisdom, but let not his hoary head go down to Sheol (the place of the dead) in peace.

<sup>7</sup>But show kindness to the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite and let them be among those who eat at your table; for with such kindness they met me when I fled because of Absalom your brother.<sup>(A)</sup>

<sup>8</sup>And you have with you Shimei son of Gera, the Benjamite of Bahurim, who cursed me with a grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim. But he came down to meet me at the Jordan [on my return], and I swore to him by the Lord, saying, I will not put you to death with the sword.

<sup>9</sup>So do not hold him guiltless; for you are a wise man and know what you should do to him. His hoary head bring down to the grave with blood.

<sup>10</sup>So David slept with his fathers and was buried in the City of David.

<sup>11</sup>David reigned over Israel forty years—seven years in Hebron and thirty-three years in Jerusalem.

<sup>12</sup>Then Solomon sat on the throne of David his father, and his kingdom was firmly established.

<sup>13</sup>Adonijah, the son of [David and] Haggith, came to Bathsheba, the mother of Solomon. She said, Do you come peaceably? And he said, Peaceably.

<sup>14</sup>He said, I have something to say to you. And she said, Say on.

<sup>15</sup>He said, You know that the kingdom belonged to me [as the eldest living son], and all Israel looked to me to reign. However, the kingdom has passed from me to my brother; for it was his from the Lord.

<sup>16</sup>Now I make one request of you; do not deny me. And she said, Say on.

<sup>17</sup>He said, I pray you, ask King Solomon, for he will not refuse you, to give me Abishag the Shunammite to be my wife.<sup>(B)</sup>

<sup>18</sup>And Bathsheba said, Very well; I will speak for you to the king.

<sup>19</sup>So Bathsheba went to King Solomon to speak to him for Adonijah. The king rose to meet her, bowed to her, sat down on his throne, and caused a seat to be set at his right hand for her, the king's mother.

<sup>20</sup>Then she said, I have one small request to make of you; do not refuse me. The king said to her, Ask on, my mother, for I will not refuse you.

<sup>21</sup>She said, Give Abishag the Shunammite to Adonijah your brother to be his wife.

<sup>22</sup>King Solomon answered his mother, And why do you ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? Ask for him the kingdom also—for he is my elder brother—[ask it] even for him and for [his supporters] Abiathar the priest and Joab son of Zeruiah.

<sup>23</sup>Then King Solomon swore by the Lord, saying, May God do so to me, and more also, if Adonijah has not requested this against his own life.

<sup>24</sup>Therefore, as the Lord lives, Who has established me and set me on the throne of David my father and Who has made me a house as He promised, Adonijah shall be put to death this day.

<sup>25</sup>So King Solomon sent Benaiah son of Jehoiada, who attacked [Adonijah] and he died.

<sup>26</sup>And to Abiathar the priest the king said, Get to Anathoth to your own estate; for you deserve death, but I will not put you to death now, because you bore the ark of the Lord God before my father David and were afflicted in all my father endured.

<sup>27</sup>So Solomon expelled Abiathar [descendant of Eli] from being priest to the Lord, fulfilling the word of the Lord which He spoke concerning the house of Eli in Shiloh.<sup>(c)</sup>

<sup>28</sup>When the news came to Joab, for Joab had followed Adonijah though he had not followed Absalom, [he] fled to the tent (tabernacle) of the Lord and caught hold of the horns of the altar [before it].

<sup>29</sup>King Solomon was told that Joab had fled to the tent of the Lord and was at the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, strike him down.

<sup>30</sup>So Benaiah came to the tent of the Lord and told Joab, The king commands, Come forth. But Joab said, No, I will die here. Then Benaiah brought the king word again, Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me.

<sup>31</sup>The king said to him, Do as he has said. Strike him down and bury him, that you may take away from [me and from] my father's house the innocent blood which Joab shed.

<sup>32</sup>The Lord shall return his bloody deeds upon his own head, for he fell upon two men more [uncompromisingly] righteous and honorable than he and slew them with the sword, without my father knowing of it: Abner son of

Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah.

<sup>33</sup>So shall their blood return upon the head of Joab and of his descendants forever. But upon David, his descendants, his house, and his throne, there shall be peace from the Lord forever.

<sup>34</sup>So Benaiah son of Jehoiada went up and struck and killed Joab, and he was buried at his own house in the wilderness.

<sup>35</sup>The king put Benaiah son of Jehoiada in Joab's place over the army and put Zadok the priest in place of Abiathar.

<sup>36</sup>The king sent for Shimei and said to him, Build yourself a house in Jerusalem and dwell there, and do not leave there.

<sup>37</sup>For on the day you go out and pass over the brook Kidron, know with certainty that you shall die; your blood shall be upon your own head.

<sup>38</sup>And Shimei said to the king, The saying is good. As my lord the king has said, so your servant will do. And Shimei dwelt in Jerusalem many days.

<sup>39</sup>But after three years, two of Shimei's servants ran away to Achish son of Maacah, king of Gath. And Shimei was told, Behold, your [runaway] servants are in Gath.

<sup>40</sup>So Shimei arose, saddled his donkey, and went to Gath to King Achish to seek his servants, and brought them from Gath.

<sup>41</sup>It was told Solomon that Shimei went from Jerusalem to Gath and had returned.

<sup>42</sup>And the king sent for Shimei and said to him, Did I not make you swear by the Lord and warn you, saying, Know with certainty, on the day you go out and walk abroad anywhere, you shall surely die? And you said to me, I have heard your word. It is accepted.

<sup>43</sup>Why then have you not kept the oath of the Lord and the command with which I have charged you?



<sup>44</sup>The king also said to Shimei, You are aware in your own heart of all the evil you did to my father David; so the Lord will return your evil upon your own head.

<sup>45</sup>But King Solomon shall be blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before the Lord forever.

<sup>46</sup>So the king commanded Benaiah son of Jehoiada, who went out and struck down Shimei, and he died. And the kingdom was established in the hands of Solomon.

Proverbs 4:23 New Living Translation (NLT)

<sup>23</sup>Guard your heart above all else,  
for it determines the course of your life.

Proverbs 4:23 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

<sup>23</sup>Watch over your heart with all diligence,  
For <sup>(A)</sup>from it *flow* the springs of life.

Psalms 3:3 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>3</sup>But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head

Isaiah 33:5-6 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>5</sup>The Lord is exalted, for He dwells on high; He will fill Zion with justice and righteousness (moral and spiritual rectitude in every area and relation).

<sup>6</sup>And there shall be stability in your times, an abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge; the reverent fear *and* worship of the Lord is your treasure *and* His.

Malachi 3:16-18 The Voice (VOICE)

<sup>16</sup>Then those who fear the Eternal One consulted each other *about God's charges, each one to his neighbor*, and the Eternal One paid attention and heard. A book of remembrance was written before Him for those who honored the Eternal One and valued His name *and the good reputation*.

**Eternal One:** <sup>17</sup>And they will be Mine on that day when I, the Eternal, Commander of *heavenly* armies, make My unique treasure—*which is the kingdom of Israel*. I will have pity on them as a man has pity on his son who serves him.

<sup>18</sup>And you will return and notice the difference between the righteous and the wicked, between those serving God and those not serving Him.

Psalm 135:1-4 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>1</sup>Praise the Lord! (Hallelujah!) Praise the name of the Lord; praise Him, O you servants of the Lord!

<sup>2</sup>You who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God,

<sup>3</sup>Praise the Lord! For the Lord is good; sing praises to His name, for He is gracious *and* lovely!

<sup>4</sup>For the Lord has chosen [the descendants of] Jacob for Himself, Israel for His peculiar possession *and* treasure.<sup>(A)</sup>

Mark 11:22-24 Amplified Bible (AMP)

<sup>22</sup>Jesus replied, "Have faith in God [constantly]. <sup>23</sup>I assure you *and* most solemnly say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be lifted up and thrown into the sea!' and <sup>[a]</sup>does not doubt in his heart [in God's unlimited power], but believes that what he says is going to take place, it will be done for him [in accordance with God's will].<sup>(A)</sup> <sup>24</sup>For this reason I am telling you, whatever things you ask for in prayer [in accordance with God's will], believe [with confident trust] that you have received them, and they will be *given* to you.

**Footnotes:**

- a. [Mark 11:23](#) Jesus used this moment to emphasize to the disciples that a person's confident, abiding faith combined with God's power can produce absolutely amazing results, if the request is in harmony with God's will. God is fully capable of doing that which man regards as impossible (cf 14:36; James 4:3).

**Mark 11:22-25** King James Version (KJV)

<sup>22</sup>And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.

<sup>23</sup>For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

<sup>24</sup>Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

<sup>25</sup>And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses

**Exodus 20:20** Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>20</sup>And Moses said to the people, Fear not; for God has come to prove you, so that the [reverential] fear of Him may be before you, that you may not sin.

**Exodus 20:23** Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>23</sup>You shall not make [gods to share] with Me [My glory and your worship]; gods of silver or gods of gold you shall not make for yourselves.

**Leviticus 26:1-13** Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

**26** You shall make for yourselves no idols nor shall you erect a graven image, pillar, *or* obelisk, nor shall you place any figured stone in your land to which *or* on which to bow down; for I am the Lord your God.

<sup>2</sup>You shall keep My Sabbaths and reverence My sanctuary. I am the Lord.

<sup>3</sup>If you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments and do them,

<sup>4</sup>I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase and the trees of the field yield their fruit.

<sup>5</sup>And your threshing [time] shall reach to the vintage and the vintage [time] shall reach to the sowing time, and you shall eat your bread to the full and dwell in your land securely.

<sup>6</sup>I will give peace in the land; you shall lie down and none shall fill you with dread *or* make you afraid; and I will clear ferocious (wild) beasts out of the land, and no sword shall go through your land.

<sup>7</sup>And you shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

<sup>8</sup>Five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight; your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

<sup>9</sup>For I will be leaning toward you with favor *and* regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing *and* ratifying My covenant with you.<sup>(A)</sup>

<sup>10</sup>And you shall eat the [abundant] old store of produce long kept, and clear out the old [to make room] for the new.

<sup>11</sup>I will set My dwelling in *and* among you, and My soul shall not despise *or* reject *or* separate itself from you.

<sup>12</sup>And I will walk in *and* with *and* among you and will be your God, and you shall be My people.

<sup>13</sup>I am the Lord your God, Who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that you should no more be slaves; and I have broken the bars of your yoke and made you walk erect [as free men].

2 Chronicles 7:15-18 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>15</sup>Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

<sup>16</sup>For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

<sup>17</sup>And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my judgments;

<sup>18</sup>Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man to be ruler in Israel.

## **Mary – God is honored when you preserve Jesus Crowned**

Luke 1:26-56 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>26</sup>Now in the sixth month [after that], the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee named Nazareth,

<sup>27</sup>To a girl never having been married *and* a <sup>[a]</sup>virgin engaged to be married to a man whose name was Joseph, a descendant of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

<sup>28</sup>And he came to her and said, Hail, O favored one <sup>[b]</sup>endued with grace! The Lord is with you! <sup>[c]</sup>*Blessed (favored of God) are you before all other women!*

<sup>29</sup>But *when she saw him*, she was greatly troubled *and* disturbed *and* confused at what he said and kept revolving in her mind what such a greeting might mean.

<sup>30</sup>And the angel said to her, Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found grace <sup>[d]</sup>(free, spontaneous, absolute favor and loving-kindness) with God.

<sup>31</sup>And listen! You will become pregnant and will give birth to a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus.

<sup>32</sup>He will be great (eminent) and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His forefather David,

<sup>33</sup>And He will reign over the house of Jacob throughout the ages; and of His reign there will be no end.<sup>(A)</sup>

<sup>34</sup>And Mary said to the angel, How can this be, since I have no [intimacy with any man as a] husband?

<sup>35</sup>Then the angel said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you [like a shining cloud]; and so the holy (pure, sinless) Thing (Offspring) which shall be born *of you* will be called the Son of God.<sup>(B)</sup>

<sup>36</sup>And listen! Your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is now the sixth month with her who was called barren.

<sup>37</sup>For with God nothing is ever impossible *and* no word from God shall be without power *or* impossible of fulfillment.

<sup>38</sup>Then Mary said, Behold, I am the handmaiden of the Lord; let it be done to me according to what you have said. And the angel left her.

<sup>39</sup>And at that time Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country to a town of Judah,

<sup>40</sup>And she went to the house of Zachariah and, entering it, saluted Elizabeth.

<sup>41</sup>And it occurred that when Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with *and* controlled by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>42</sup>And she cried out with a loud cry, and then exclaimed, Blessed (favored of God) above all other women are you! And blessed (favored of God) is the Fruit of your womb!

<sup>43</sup>And how [have I deserved that this honor should] be granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

<sup>44</sup>For behold, the instant the sound of your salutation reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy.

<sup>45</sup> And blessed (happy, <sup>[e]</sup>to be envied) is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of the things that were spoken to her from the Lord.

<sup>46</sup> And Mary said, My soul magnifies *and* extols the Lord,

<sup>47</sup> And my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

<sup>48</sup> For He has looked upon the low station *and* humiliation of His handmaiden. For behold, from now on all generations [of all ages] will call me blessed *and* declare me happy *and* <sup>[f]</sup>to be envied!

<sup>49</sup> For He Who is almighty has done great things for me—and holy is His name [to be venerated in His purity, majesty and glory]!

<sup>50</sup> And His mercy (His compassion and kindness toward the miserable and afflicted) is on those who fear Him with godly reverence, from generation to generation *and* age to age.<sup>(C)</sup>

<sup>51</sup> He has shown strength *and* <sup>[g]</sup>made might with His arm; He has scattered the proud *and* haughty in *and* by the imagination *and* purpose *and* designs of their hearts.

<sup>52</sup> He has put down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of low degree.

<sup>53</sup> He has filled *and* satisfied the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty-handed [without a gift].

<sup>54</sup> He has laid hold on His servant Israel [to help him, to espouse his cause], in remembrance of His mercy,

<sup>55</sup> Even as He promised to our forefathers, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.<sup>(D)</sup>

<sup>56</sup> And Mary remained with her [Elizabeth] for about three months and [then] returned to her [own] home.

1 Peter 1:22 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>22</sup>Since by your obedience to the Truth *through the [Holy] Spirit* you have purified your hearts for the sincere affection of the brethren, [see that you] love one another fervently from a *pure* heart.

Zephaniah 3:9 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>9</sup>For then [changing their impure language] I will give to the people a clear *and* pure speech from pure lips, that they may all call upon the name of the Lord, to serve Him with one unanimous consent *and* one united shoulder [bearing the yoke of the Lord].

Revelation 1:4-8 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

<sup>5</sup>And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

<sup>6</sup>And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

<sup>8</sup>I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Revelation 2:25-29 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>25</sup>But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.

<sup>26</sup>And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:



<sup>27</sup>And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

<sup>28</sup>And I will give him the morning star.

<sup>29</sup>He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

### Revelation 3:15-22 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>15</sup>I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

<sup>16</sup>So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

<sup>17</sup>Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

<sup>18</sup>I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

<sup>19</sup>As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

<sup>20</sup>Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

<sup>21</sup>To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

<sup>22</sup>He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

### Revelation 12:1-11 King James Version (KJV)

And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

<sup>2</sup>And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

<sup>3</sup>And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

<sup>4</sup>And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

<sup>5</sup>And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

<sup>6</sup>And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

<sup>7</sup>And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

<sup>8</sup>And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

<sup>9</sup>And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil, and satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

<sup>10</sup>And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

<sup>11</sup>And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

#### Revelation 19:11-16 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>11</sup>And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

<sup>12</sup>His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

<sup>13</sup>And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

<sup>15</sup>And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

<sup>16</sup>And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

Matthew 1 The Passion Translation (TPT)

From Abraham to Christ

**1** This is the scroll of the lineage and birth<sup>[a]</sup> of Jesus,<sup>[b]</sup> the Anointed One, the son of David and descendant of Abraham.

<sup>2</sup>Abraham had a son named Isaac, who had a son named Jacob, who had a son named Judah (*he and his brothers became the tribes of Israel*).

<sup>3</sup>Judah and Tamar<sup>[c]</sup> had twin sons, Perez and Zerah. Perez had a son named Hezron, who had a son named Ram, <sup>4</sup>who had a son named Amminadab, who had a son named Nashon, <sup>5</sup>who had a son named Salmon, who, along with Rahab, had a son named Boaz. Boaz and Ruth had a son named Obed, who was the father of Jesse, <sup>6</sup>and Jesse had a son named David, *who became the king*.

<sup>7</sup>Then David and Bathsheba<sup>[d]</sup> had a son named Solomon, who had a son named Rehoboam, who had a son named Abijah, who had a son named Asa, <sup>8</sup>who had a son named Jehoshaphat, who had a son named Joram, who had a son named Uzziah, <sup>9</sup>who had a son named Jotham, who had a son named Ahaz, who had a son named Hezekiah, <sup>10</sup>who had a son named Manasseh, who had a son named Amos,<sup>[e]</sup> who had a son named Josiah, <sup>11</sup>who was the father of Jeconiah.<sup>[f]</sup>

It was during the days of Jeconiah and his brothers that Israel was taken captive and deported to Babylon. <sup>12</sup>About the time of their captivity in

Babylon, Jeconiah had a son named Shealtiel, who had a son named Zerubbabel, <sup>13</sup> who had a son named Abiud, who had a son named Eliakim, <sup>14</sup> who had a son named Azor, who had a son named Zadok, who had a son named Achim, who had a son named Eliud, <sup>15</sup> who had a son named Eleazar, who had a son named Matthan, who had a son named Jacob, <sup>16</sup> who was the father of Joseph, the husband<sup>[a]</sup> of Mary the mother of Jesus, who is called "the Anointed One."

<sup>17</sup> So from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the Babylonian captivity, fourteen generation, and from the Babylonian captivity to Christ, fourteen generations.<sup>[h]</sup>

An Angel Comes to Joseph

<sup>18</sup> This was how Jesus, God's Anointed One, was born.

His mother, Mary, had promised Joseph to be his wife, <sup>[i]</sup> *but while she was still a virgin<sup>[j]</sup>* she became pregnant through the power<sup>[k]</sup> of the Holy Spirit.<sup>[l]</sup> <sup>19</sup> Her fiancé,<sup>[m]</sup> Joseph, was a righteous man full of integrity and he didn't want to disgrace her, but when he learned of her pregnancy he secretly planned to break the engagement.<sup>[n]</sup> <sup>20</sup> While he was still debating with himself about what to do,<sup>[o]</sup> he fell asleep and had a supernatural dream. An angel from the Lord appeared to him in clear light and said, "Joseph, descendant of David, don't hesitate to take Mary into your home as your wife,<sup>[p]</sup> because the power of the Holy Spirit has conceived a child in her womb. <sup>21</sup> She will give birth to a son and you are to name him 'Savior,'<sup>[q]</sup> for he is destined to give his life<sup>[r]</sup> to save his people from their sins."

<sup>22</sup> This happened so that what the Lord spoke through his prophet would come true:

<sup>23</sup> Listen! A virgin<sup>[s]</sup> will be pregnant,  
she will give birth to a Son,  
and he will be known as "Emmanuel,"  
which means in Hebrew,  
"God became one of us."<sup>[t]</sup>

<sup>24</sup>When Joseph awoke from his dream, he did all that the angel of the Lord instructed him to do. He took Mary to be his wife, <sup>25</sup>but they refrained from having sex until she gave birth to her son, whom they named “Jesus.”

**Footnotes:**

- a. [Matthew 1:1](#) Or “the book of the origin (genesis) of Jesus Christ.” The Greek text has no definite article (“This is the”) and is most likely to be considered as a caption or title. The Son of God is eternal and had no beginning ([John 1:1](#); [1 John 1:1](#)). The entire book of Matthew presents the beginning of the glorious story of Jesus, God’s Anointed One. The genealogy given by Matthew presents the legal claim of Jesus to be King through the lineage of David from Joseph all the way back to the promises given to Abraham. Some believe Luke’s account gives the genealogy of Jesus from Mary’s lineage through David all the way back to Adam.
- b. [Matthew 1:1](#) The Hebrew name for Jesus is *Yeshua* and means “Yahweh is salvation.”
- c. [Matthew 1:3](#) Matthew includes four women in this genealogy: Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, and Bathsheba.
- d. [Matthew 1:7](#) Or “the wife of Uriah.”
- e. [Matthew 1:10](#) Or “Amon.”
- f. [Matthew 1:11](#) In Jer. [22:24-30](#) God pronounced a curse on Jeconiah’s family line, declaring that they were ineligible to sit on the throne as kings. However, Luke’s genealogy goes through David to Mary via Nathan, not Solomon, thus bypassing the curse of Jeconiah’s lineage. Matthew’s genealogy is meant to establish the legal right of Jesus Christ to be king. So Joseph, as Jesus’ *adoptive* father, passes the right of David’s throne legally to Jesus and avoids the curse of Jeconiah through Mary’s ancestry. Jesus is the Son of God paternally, and the Son of David maternally through Heli, Mary’s father. See footnote at [Luke 3:23-38](#). From the beginning God said that the coming Savior would be the “seed of the woman.” See Gen. [3:15](#); Gal. [4:4](#).
- g. [Matthew 1:16](#) Notice that Joseph is named the husband of Mary, not the father of Jesus.
- h. [Matthew 1:17](#) This would make a total of forty-two generations from Abraham to Christ. However, when the names are counted, there are only forty-one. There is a missing generation. What could this mean? Jesus gave birth to the forty-second generation when he died on the cross, for out of his side blood and water flowed. Blood and water come forth at birth. The first Adam “birthed” his wife out of his side, and so Jesus gave birth to his bride from his wounded side. Jesus wants to reproduce himself in us. His last name is not Christ. Christ is the title that explains who he is. He is the Anointed One. “Christ” is also now a corporate body, the body of Christ. We, as the body of Christ, are also anointed ones (Christians). See [1 Cor. 12:12](#).
- i. [Matthew 1:18](#) In the Jewish culture the engagement was a prenuptial contract (*ketubah*), which was entered into before witnesses, that gave legal rights over the girl to the bridegroom. This agreement could only be nullified by going through the formal divorce process. Since the girl still lived with her family, sexual relations were prohibited until after the second event of the public marriage ceremony. This engagement period was usually entered into when the girl turned thirteen. Mary was just a teenager when she gave birth to Jesus.
- j. [Matthew 1:18](#) Or “without them being united (sexually).”
- k. [Matthew 1:18](#) Implied in the text. Although it is the genitive of source, not agency, “the power of the Holy Spirit” is supplied for clarity. See Deut. [20:7](#).
- l. [Matthew 1:18](#) The “Holy Spirit” can also be translated “the Sacred Breath (Spirit-wind)” or “the Spirit of Holiness.”

- m. [Matthew 1:19](#) Or “Her husband.” The Hebrew culture makes no distinction between a fiancé and a husband. The engagement period was a vital part of the marriage custom. See Deut. [22:23-28](#).
- n. [Matthew 1:19](#) Or “divorce her.” The Jewish custom of breaking off an engagement was tantamount to a divorce.
- o. [Matthew 1:20](#) Or “during his inward passion about these things.”
- p. [Matthew 1:20](#) Or “take Miriam your wife.” Once again, the Jewish culture considered the betrothal period as part of the marriage custom.
- q. [Matthew 1:21](#) Or “Jesus.” The Hebrew name for Jesus is *Yeshua* (or *Y’hoshua*) and means “Yahweh is salvation, restoration, and deliverance.” Implied in the text is that Hebrew (Aramaic) speakers would obviously understand how the name *Yeshua* and *salvation* were linked, reinforcing the theory that Matthew was originally written in Hebrew. This is lost in the Greek word *Jesus* (Jesus).
- r. [Matthew 1:21](#) As translated from the Aramaic.
- s. [Matthew 1:23](#) See also [v. 25](#), which clarifies that Mary was indeed a virgin.
- t. [Matthew 1:23](#) Or “God with us” or “God among us”; that is, God incarnated. See Isa. [7:14](#); [8:8](#), [10](#) (LXX).

## Luke 3:23-38 The Passion Translation (TPT)

### The Ancestry of Jesus Christ

<sup>23-38</sup> Jesus, assumed to be Joseph’s son, was about thirty years old when he began his ministry.<sup>[a]</sup> Here are the names of Mary’s<sup>[b]</sup> ancestors, from her father traced all the way back to Adam:

**Eli**,<sup>[c]</sup> Matthat, Levi, Melki, Jannai, Joseph, Mattathias, Amos, Nahum, Esli, Naggai, Maath, Mattathias, Semein, Josech, Joda, Joanan, Rhesa, Zerubbabel, Shealtiel, Neri, Melchi, Addi, Cosam, Elmadam, Er, Joshua, Eliezer, Jorim, Matthat, Levi, Simeon, Judah, Joseph, Jonam, Eliakim, Melea, Menna, Mattatha, Nathan, **David**, Jesse, Obed, **Boaz**, **Salmon**, Nahshon, Amminadab, Admin, Arni, Hezron, Perez, **Judah**, Jacob, Isaac, Abraham, Terah, Nahor, Serug, Reu, Peleg, Eber, Shelah, Kenan, Arphaxad, Shem, Noah, Lamech, Methuselah, Enoch, Jared, Mahalaleel, Cainan, Enos, Seth, and **Adam**, who was created by God.<sup>[d]</sup>

#### Footnotes:

- a. [Luke 3:23](#) Old Testament priests could not begin their ministry until they were thirty years old. The number thirty is the biblical number of maturity. Both Joseph and David were promoted to the place of honor when they were thirty.
- b. [Luke 3:23](#) Matthew gives us the genealogy of Jesus from Joseph’s family, while some suggest Luke’s genealogy is from Mary’s side. Luke is the only Gospel writer who gives much attention to women. Neither Matthew nor Luke gives a complete genealogy.

- c. [Luke 3:23](#) Matthew identifies Joseph's father as Jacob ([Matt. 1:16](#)), while Luke says he was Eli's (Heli's) son ([Luke 3:23](#)). The ancient world often referred to a man's sons-in-law as his own sons. Thus it is possible that Eli was Mary's father and Joseph's father-in-law.
- d. [Luke 3:23](#) As translated from the Aramaic. The Greek text states, "the son of God."