



## Portion:

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*There are times when arguing about minute details is a waste of effort, even contrary to your intended outcome. You must be wise to recognize when the little things matter and when to let them go. It is often said, “Don’t sweat the small stuff; and it is all small stuff.” I agree with the first half of this epitaph, but strongly oppose the latter.*

*At times, the smallest of what seem to be ancillary ideas, have the most poignant relevance. In one place we read the serious instruction of a spiritual father to his son, “Don’t give heed to fables and **endless genealogies**, which cause disputes rather than godly*

*edification which is in faith.” And yet we also see in the first census of Israel, how Moses and Aaron “took a man from every tribe, each one the head of his father’s house, and **recited their ancestry** by families.” It seems in this case genealogy mattered!*

*And then we have Matthew, the writer of the most comprehensive Gospel, who opens his greatest life’s work with microscopic details; “The book of **the genealogy of Jesus Christ**, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham...” His ensuing words seem like “endless genealogies,” a meticulous list that fills space, but seems to lend no deeper meaning to the narrative. Be honest, how many times have you read Matthew? And how much attention have you given to those first seventeen verses? Be honest! By the way, if you had, you’d have noticed the serious math error!*

*But then, if you get out your prophetic magnifying glass, you’ll notice he mentions five very significant women, all named in what is usually reserved for a line-up of men. And they all have one thing in common; can you guess? One woman in particular alludes to something so significant that it could be the entire reason Matthew included the genealogy. Yet, it is a microscopic detail, strikingly easy to overlook, and likely you never noticed it! Hint: It’s NOT Mary.*

## THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE

“Then Moses and Aaron took these **men** who had been **mentioned by name**, and they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month; **and they recited their ancestry by families, by their fathers’ houses**, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, each one individually.” Numbers 1:17-18 NKJV

## OUTCOME: MAIN TAKEAWAY(S) I AM HOPING FOR PEOPLE

“**The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David**, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by **Tamar**, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by **Rahab**, Boaz begot Obed by **Ruth**, Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David the king. **David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah.**” Matthew 1:1-6 NKJV

## Let’s Set the Scene: Portion in a blurb

1. This is the first portion in the fourth book of the Bible. The Hebrew name for what we call “Numbers” in English is

“Bamidbar”, which means “In the wilderness.” We derive the English title from the Greek Septuagint (LXX) version of the Torah. The book of Numbers tells the story of Israel’s journey through the wilderness on their way to the Promised Land, their lack of faith and obedience as they approach the edge of the land for the first time, and the subsequent forty years of wandering. It concludes with the story of the second generation’s triumphs over the first Canaanite resistance. The book ends with the Israelites poised on the edge of Canaan for the second time, ready to take their inheritance. Numbers also contains a significant amount of legal material and prophetic concepts in the midst of the journey narratives.

2. Numbers begins with a census of the tribes of Israel and the Levitical families, just prior to the departure from Sinai. It would be great for you to review last year’s teaching on this portion here: [The Firstborn Swap](#)
3. **The First Census of Israel:** first *day* of the second month, in the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt—Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by family by the fathers’ houses [Tribe of Israel], every male individually from twenty years old and above—all who *are able* to go to war in Israel.

4. A man from every tribe, each one the head of his father's house was selected and named. The ancestry by families of all men twenty years old and above was detailed.
- (a) Reuben: Israel's oldest son: forty-six thousand five hundred
  - (b) Simeon: fifty-nine thousand three hundred
  - (c) Gad: forty-five thousand six hundred and fifty
  - (d) Judah: seventy-four thousand six hundred
  - (e) Issachar: fifty-four thousand four hundred
  - (f) Zebulun: fifty-seven thousand four hundred
  - (g) Joseph:
    - 1. the children of Ephraim: forty thousand five hundred
    - 2. the children of Manasseh: thirty-two thousand two hundred
  - (h) Benjamin: thirty-five thousand four hundred
  - (i) Dan: sixty-two thousand seven hundred
  - (j) Asher: forty-one thousand five hundred
  - (k) Naphtali: fifty-three thousand four hundred
  - (l) The ones who were numbered, twelve men and their sons from twenty years old and above: six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty
  - (m) Levites were not numbered: Yahweh said...Levi shall not be numbered, nor a census taken of them.
5. Appoint the Levites over:

- (a) the tabernacle of the Testimony, over all its furnishings, and over all things that belong to it;
  - (b) they shall carry the tabernacle and all its furnishings;
  - (c) they shall attend to it and camp around the tabernacle;
  - (d) And when the tabernacle is to go forward, the Levites shall take it down; and when the tabernacle is to be set up, the Levites shall set it up.
6. **The Tribes and Leaders by Armies:** How and where the tribes pitch their tents, the order in which they move, and how the tabernacle gets moved are described in detail.
  7. The Sons of Aaron are named including a reminder of what happened to Nadab and Abihu and how Eleazar and Ithamar took over.
  8. **The Levites Serve in the Tabernacle:** they shall attend the needs of the whole congregation before the tabernacle of meeting, and to do all the work of the tabernacle.
  9. Yahweh shows that He has taken the entire tribe of the Levites as firstborns instead of the firstborns from the other tribes because all the firstborn are His as per the Passover incident in Egypt. Again, I encourage you to review last year's teaching on this portion here: [The Firstborn Swap](#)
  10. **Census of the Levites Commanded:** The sons of Levi and all their sons over one month are counted and the duties in the

ministry of the tabernacle for each son is described. Eleazar was to be chief over the leaders of the Levites, with oversight of those who kept charge of the sanctuary. *“All who were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron numbered at the commandment of the LORD, by their families, all the males from a month old and above, were **twenty-two thousand.**”*

Numbers 3:39 NKJV

11. **Levites Dedicated Instead of the Firstborn:** number all of the firstborn males from a month old and above, from all the tribes—you shall take the Levites for Me—instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel: the number was **twenty-two thousand two hundred and seventy-three.**
12. Now there were **two hundred and seventy-three** more firstborns of the children of Israel (22,273) then there were Levite firstborns to redeem them (22,000). So, take five shekels for each of the 273 firstborn in excess of number redeemed by the Levites and give it to Aaron and his sons (1365 shekels).
13. The duties of the Sons of Kohath (ages 30 to 50 years old) are described in detail and how they are to prepare and move and carry the table of showbread, the altar, the ark and all the utensils, Strict warning is given to not touch any holy thing, lest they die. (See II Samuel 5 & 6 for what happens when this is violated!)

14. Eleazar is appointed the oversight of the tabernacle, and so the family of the Kohathites do not die when they approach the most holy things, Aaron and his sons go in and cover them first, before the Kohathites come in to move them.

## ANCIENT ANCESTRY

### 1. Purposeful Genealogies

#### A. “Take a census of the children of Israel, by their families, by their fathers’ houses...”

##### (1) The First Census

- (a) “Now the LORD spoke to Moses in the Wilderness of Sinai, in the tabernacle of meeting, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt, saying: **“Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by their families, by their fathers’ houses,** according to the **number of names,** every male individually, from twenty years old and above—all who are able to go to war in Israel. You and Aaron shall number them by their armies. And with you there shall be a man from every tribe, each one the head of his father’s house.” Numbers 1:1-4 NKJV



(2) “These are the names of the men who shall stand with you:”

(a) Numbers 1:5-15 names the **head of each household** who will stand with Moses in the census.

(b) “These were chosen from the congregation, **leaders of their fathers’ tribes**, heads of the divisions in Israel.”

Numbers 1:16 NKJV

## **B. Recited by ancestry**

(1) By their FATHER’S house

(a) “Then Moses and Aaron took these men who had been mentioned by name, and they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month; **and they recited their ancestry by families, by their fathers’ houses**, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, each one individually.” Numbers 1:17-18 NKJV

## THE URIAH STORY

### **2. David’s Unrighteousness**

#### **A. I want that, so I’ll have that!**

(1) Wrong Place; Wrong Time; Poor Choice; Poor Outcome

(a) “**It happened in the spring of the year, at the time when kings go out to battle**, that David sent Joab and

his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the people of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. **But David remained at Jerusalem.** Then it happened one evening that David arose from his bed and walked on the roof of the king's house. And from the roof **he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to behold.** So David sent and inquired about the woman. And someone said, **"Is this not Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?"** Then David sent messengers, and took her; and she came to him, and he lay with her, for she was cleansed from her impurity; and she returned to her house. **And the woman conceived; so she sent and told David, and said, "I am with child."** II Samuel 11:1-5 NKJV

## **B. The Cover-Up**

- (1) To what length will you go to cover-up your sin?
  - (a) "Then David sent to Joab, saying, **"Send me Uriah the Hittite."** [I must do something to hide what I have done!] And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah had come to him, David asked how Joab was doing, and how the people were doing, and how the war prospered. And David said to Uriah, **"Go down to your house and wash your feet."** [Plan A: So when you see

**your beautiful wife you will sleep with her.]** So Uriah departed from the king's house, and a gift of food from the king followed him. **But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. [This messes up David's plan.]** So when they told David, saying, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, **"Did you not come from a journey? Why did you not go down to your house?" [You've been away from your wife for so long; why did you not go have sex with her? Don't you understand that I need it to look like her pregnancy is from you?!]** And Uriah said to David, **"The ark and Israel and Judah are dwelling in tents, and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are encamped in the open fields. Shall I then go to my house to eat and drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do this thing."** **[Why? Because as a "nobody Hittite" I have more integrity and honor in my little pinky than the King of Israel has from his crown to his toes!]** Then David said to Uriah, **"Wait here today also, and tomorrow I will let you depart."** **[Don't leave—let's try this again.]** So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the next. Now when David called him, **he ate and**

drank before him; and he made him drunk. **[Plan B: Maybe if I get Uriah drunk his integrity and honor will go out the window.]** And at evening he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, **but he did not go down to his house. [Dang! Didn't work! Now what?]** In the morning it happened that David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah. **[Plan C: Since I am certain Uriah has so much integrity and honor, I'll have him deliver his own death sentence, as I am certain he will not sneak a peek at the important message he is carrying!]** And he wrote in the letter, saying, **"Set Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retreat from him, that he may be struck down and die."** **[Let's not mince words; this is murder!]** So it was, while Joab besieged the city, that he assigned Uriah to a place where he knew there were valiant men. **[Uriah's character was well know!]** Then the men of the city came out and fought with Joab. And some of the people of the servants of David fell; **and Uriah the Hittite died also. [Now that he's dead, no one can challenge whose child it is!]**" II Samuel 11:6-17 NKJV

- (2) When the king questions you about why you would use such poor battle tactics...tell him "Mission accomplished!"

- (a) “Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war, and charged the messenger, saying, “When you have finished telling the matters of the war to the king, if it happens that the king’s wrath rises, and he says to you: **‘Why did you approach so near to the city when you fought?’** Did you not know that they would shoot from the wall? Who struck Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? Was it not a woman who cast a piece of a millstone on him from the wall, so that he died in Thebez? Why did you go near the wall?’—then you shall say, **‘Your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.’**”” II Samuel 11:18-21 NKJV
- (3) The Report...we used bad tactics sir, but, by the way, Uriah was killed as a result!
- (a) “So the messenger went, and came and told David all that Joab had sent by him. And the messenger said to David, “Surely the men prevailed against us and came out to us in the field; then we drove them back as far as the entrance of the gate. The archers shot from the wall at your servants; **and some of the king’s servants are dead, and your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.**”” II Samuel 11:22-24 NKJV

(4) King to the general's messenger: "Shake it off, don't feel so bad. These things happen; men die, good ones and bad ones; it's war for God's sake!"

(a) "Then David said to the messenger, "Thus you shall say to Joab: '**Do not let this thing displease you, for the sword devours one as well as another.** Strengthen your attack against the city, and overthrow it.' So encourage him.'" II Samuel 11:25 NKJV

(5) On with the plan: hurry up and get over it! Have my baby.

(a) "When the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, **she mourned for her husband.** And when her mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife **and bore him a son.** But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD." II Samuel 11:26-27 NKJV

### **C. Exposed! But maintains self-righteous denial!**

(1) The Poor Man's Lamb

(a) "Then the LORD sent Nathan to David. And he came to him, and said to him: "There were two men in one city, one rich and the other poor. **The rich man had exceedingly many flocks and herds.** But the poor man had nothing, except one little ewe lamb which he had bought and nourished; and it grew up together with him

and with his children. It ate of his own food and drank from his own cup and lay in his bosom; and it was like a daughter to him. And a traveler came to the rich man, who refused to take from his own flock and from his own herd to prepare one for the wayfaring man who had come to him; **but he took the poor man's lamb** and prepared it for the man who had come to him." II Samuel 12:1-4 NKJV

(2) That horrible rich man, who has it all, and still takes from the poor man...that rich guy needs to die!

(a) "So David's anger was **greatly aroused against the man**, and he said to Nathan, " As the LORD lives, **the man who has done this shall surely die!** And he shall restore fourfold for the lamb, because he did this thing and because he had no pity." II Samuel 12:5-6 NKJV

#### **D. FYI David...You are that man!**

(1) I gave you everything and it was not enough; and I was ready to give you more! But instead, you wanted what was not yours and you killed a man (and others as collateral damage!) and stole his wife.

(a) "Then Nathan said to David, "**You are the man!** Thus says the LORD God of Israel: '**I anointed you king** over Israel, and **I delivered you from the hand of Saul. I gave**

**you your master's house and your master's wives** into your keeping, and gave you the house of Israel and Judah. And if that had been too little, **I also would have given you much more! Why have you despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in His sight? You have killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword; you have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the people of Ammon."** II Samuel 12:7-9 NKJV

**E. Sin has consequences!**

- (1) What you did in secret, Yahweh will expose to the world!
  - (a) "Now therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me, **and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.**' Thus says the LORD: 'Behold, I will raise up adversity against you from your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun. **For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel,** before the sun.' "" II Samuel 12:10-12 NKJV
- (2) "I have sinned against the LORD." It's good that you repented, but because you made Yahweh look bad before His enemies... there is still a price to pay!



(a) “So David said to Nathan, **“I have sinned against the LORD.”** And Nathan said to David, “The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die. **However, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also who is born to you shall surely die.**” Then Nathan departed to his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah’s wife bore to David, and it became ill.” II Samuel 12:13-15 NKJV

1. **Psalm 51–Inspired by this whole story:** “Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions,** And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight— **That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge.** Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash

me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, **And renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.** Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit. **Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You. Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed,** O God, The God of my salvation, And my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise. For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. **The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart—** These, O God, You will not despise. Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; Build the walls of Jerusalem. Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, With burnt offering and whole burnt offering; Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.”

Psalms 51:1-19 NKJV

**F. The consequence was unavoidable!**

(1) Fasting for a hoped-for outcome, but, why stop fasting?

- (a) “Then Nathan departed to his house. **And the LORD struck the child that Uriah’s wife bore to David, and it became ill. David therefore pleaded with God for the child, and David fasted** and went in and lay all night on the ground. So the elders of his house arose and went to him, to raise him up from the ground. But he would not, nor did he eat food with them. **Then on the seventh day it came to pass that the child died.** And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead. For they said, “Indeed, while the child was alive, we spoke to him, and he would not heed our voice. How can we tell him that the child is dead? He may do some harm!” When David saw that his servants were whispering, **David perceived that the child was dead.** Therefore David said to his servants, “Is the child dead?” And they said, “He is dead.” So David arose from the ground, washed and anointed himself, and changed his clothes; and he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. Then he went to his own house; and when he requested, **they set food before him, and he ate.** Then his servants said to him, “**What is this that you**

**have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive, but when the child died, you arose and ate food.”** And he said, **“While the child was alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, ‘Who can tell whether the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?’ But now he is dead; why should I fast?** Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.”” II Samuel 12:15-23 NKJV

1. **Why do your disciples not fast?** “Then the disciples of John came to Him, saying, “Why do we and the Pharisees fast often, **but Your disciples do not fast?**” And Jesus said to them, “Can the friends of the bridegroom mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? **But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast.** No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; for the patch pulls away from the garment, and the tear is made worse. Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins, or else the wineskins break, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.”” Matthew 9:14-17 NKJV

(2) A Restoration!

(a) “Then **David comforted Bathsheba his wife**, and went in to her and lay with her. **So she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon.** Now the LORD loved him, and He sent word by the hand of Nathan the prophet: **So he called his name Jedidiah [beloved of Yahweh]**, because of the LORD.” II Samuel 12:24-25 NKJV

1. One man (Solomon) with two names (Solomon and Jedidiah)—Why?
2. This is certainly the physical Royal Bloodline of David! But whose bloodline is it prophetically, and why?
3. Who else might be the Jedidiah—the beloved of Yahweh?

## ROYAL BLOODLINES

### 3. **Bloodline according to the father’s house, but what about the mothers?**

#### A. **REMINDER!**

(1) Named by a father’s ancestry

(a) “Then Moses and Aaron took these men who had been mentioned by name, and they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month; **and they recited their ancestry by families, by**

**their fathers' houses**, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, each one individually." Numbers 1:17-18 NKJV

## **B. Genealogy Matters!**

### (1) The genealogy of Jesus Christ

(a) "The book of the **genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham**: [1] Abraham begot Isaac, [2] Isaac begot Jacob, and [3] Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. [4] Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, [5] Perez begot Hezron, and [6] Hezron begot Ram. [7] Ram begot Amminadab, [8] Amminadab begot Nahshon, and [9] Nahshon begot Salmon. [10] Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, [11] Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, [12] Obed begot Jesse, and [13] Jesse begot [14] David the king.

(b) David the king begot **Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah**. [1] Solomon begot Rehoboam, [2] Rehoboam begot Abijah, and [3] Abijah begot Asa. [4] Asa begot Jehoshaphat, [5] Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and [6] Joram begot Uzziah. [7] Uzziah begot Jotham, [8] Jotham begot Ahaz, and [9] Ahaz begot Hezekiah. [10] Hezekiah begot Manasseh, [11] Manasseh begot Amon, and [12] Amon begot Josiah. [13] Josiah begot

[14] Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon.

(c) And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and [1] Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. [2] Zerubbabel begot Abiud, [3] Abiud begot Eliakim, and [4] Eliakim begot Azor. [5] Azor begot Zadok, [6] Zadok begot Achim, and [7] Achim begot Eliud. [8] Eliud begot Eleazar, [9] Eleazar begot Matthan, and [10] Matthan begot Jacob. And [11] Jacob begot [12] **Joseph the husband of Mary**, of whom was born [13] **Jesus** who is called Christ.

(d) So all the generations from **Abraham to David are fourteen generations**, from **David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations**, and from **the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations**." Matthew 1:1-17 NKJV

1. Lukes Genealogy in Luke 3:23-38 takes a different perspective and lends some controversy to two Josephs. Luke traces the Lord's biological ancestry through Mary's branch, whereas Matthew traces His legal lineage through Joseph's branch.

- a) Now Jesus Himself began His ministry at about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) **the son of Joseph, the son of Heli...** Luke 3:23 NKJV
- b) “**And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary,** of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ.”  
Matthew 1:16 NKJV
- c) ...and from ***the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations***... There is much to consider here because when you count the generations from Babylon to Christ (in Matthew’s Gospel) there are only ***thirteen generations*** if Joseph (husband of Mary) is counted in the same generation as Mary, unless there is something else to consider!

## THE LEVIRATE MARRIAGE

### 4. A Radical Idea with Major Prophetic Implications

#### A. That your brothers name may not be blotted out (forgotten in history!)

(1) A brother’s duty...

- (a) ““If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; her husband’s



brother shall go in to her, take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. **And it shall be that the firstborn son which she bears will succeed to the name of his dead brother, that his name may not be blotted out of Israel.** But if the man does not want to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife **go up to the gate to the elders**, and say, 'My husband's brother refuses to raise up a name to his brother in Israel; he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.' Then the elders of his city shall call him and speak to him. But if he stands firm and says, 'I do not want to take her,' then his brother's wife shall come to him in the presence of the elders, **remove his sandal from his foot, spit in his face**, and answer and say, '**So shall it be done to the man who will not build up his brother's house.**' And his name shall be called in Israel, '**The house of him who had his sandal removed.**'" Deuteronomy 25:5-10 NKJV

1. If your brother dies without a son, marry his wife, and give her a son.
2. The firstborn son will not carry your name, but instead that of your dead brother.

3. This is done so your brother's legacy does not die, but will be perpetuated for all time.
4. If you refuse to do this, your own legacy will be scarred!
5. **Food for thought:** *"He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not **blot out his name from the Book of Life**; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels."*

Revelation 3:5 NKJV

**B. Pay very close attention to the genealogy of Christ...**

- (1) Whose son is this anyway? Whose name is being remembered, NOT BLOTTED OUT!
    - (a) *"and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been **the wife of Uriah**."*
- Matthew 1:6 NKJV
1. One man (Solomon) with two names (Solomon and Jedidiah)—Why?
  2. This is certainly the physical Royal Bloodline of David! But whose bloodline could this be referring to prophetically, and why?
  3. Who will be the Jedidiah—the beloved of Yahweh?
    - a) Uriah dies with no sons

- b) Uriah was a Hittite and presumably has no blood brothers who would even care about the law of the Levirate marriage.
- c) So, Yahweh uses king David, the Royal Bloodline, and bloodline of the Messiah in which to insert Uriah's name FOREVER, that it may NOT be blotted out, but instead be remembered into eternity as part of the Royal Line of Judah, and the Messiah Himself!
- d) You see, the father's house must be mentioned in the ancestry...*"and they recited their ancestry by families, by their fathers' houses..."* Numbers 1:18
- e) Can you Imagine, a Hittite in the Royal Line of Y'shua?!

## FIVE WOMEN—ONE COMMON STORY

### **5. Details about the five women named in the genealogy of Y'shua and the one thing they all have in common!**

#### **A. Tamar (a pretend prostitute and a sexually immoral woman)**

- (1) The Story of Tamar (A son to redeem a legacy)
  - (a) Read Genesis 38, but here's the lowdown:

1. Tamar is the first woman mentioned in Matthew's genealogy, a story about desperation born of shattered hopes.
2. The daughter-in-law of Judah, married in turn to his two oldest sons, both of whom were evil men who died under God's judgment.
3. Er (the firstborn) has died with no sons
4. Onan (the second born) is instructed to fill his duty of the Levirate Marriage so his brother's name is not blotted out, but instead he spills his seed on the ground!
5. Judah promises to give Tamar to his youngest son Shelah once he comes of age, but he never intended to keep that promise, hoping that Tamar would just go away and die as a widow.
6. Without a son and no husband, Tamar is desperate.
7. She takes matters into her own hands, disguises herself as a prostitute, sleeps with Judah, her father-in-law, and bares him twin sons.
8. One of the twins, **whom she named Perez**, would become an ancestor of Jesus.

9. Once the entire sordid affair came to light, Judah publicly admitted that Tamar was more righteous than he was—an accurate assessment.
10. Tamar's actions aren't justifiable, yet she shows up in the lineage of Jesus.
- (2) The directive to fulfill the law of the Levirate Marriage after Er had died:
- (a) **Er dies without a son and Tamar becomes a widow:**  
“Then Judah took a wife for **Er his firstborn, and her name was Tamar**. But Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD, and **the LORD killed him.**”  
Genesis 38:6-7 NKJV
- (b) **Onan refuses to fill his duty:** “And Judah said to **Onan**, “Go in to your brother's wife and marry her, and **raise up an heir to your brother.**” But **Onan knew that the heir would not be his**; and it came to pass, when he went in to his brother's wife, that **he emitted on the ground, lest he should give an heir to his brother**. And the thing which he did displeased the LORD; therefore He killed him also.” Genesis 38:8-10 NKJV
- (c) **Judah refuses to require his third son to fulfill his duty after the loss of his two older sons:**

1. “Then Judah said to Tamar his daughter-in-law,  
“**Remain a widow** in your father’s house till my son  
Shelah is grown.” For he said, “**Lest he also die like  
his brothers.**” And Tamar went and dwelt in her  
father’s house.” Genesis 38:11 NKJV
2. “So she **took off her widow’s garments**, covered  
herself with a veil and wrapped herself, and sat in an  
open place which was on the way to Timnah; **for she  
saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given to  
him as a wife.**” Genesis 38:14 NKJV

**B. Rahab (a prostitute and a sexually immoral woman)**

- (1) The story of Rehab (a son to become a redeemer)
  - (a) Read Joshua 2, but here’s the lowdown:
    1. The story of Rahab, the second woman in Matthew’s genealogy.
    2. Unlike Tamar before her, Rahab was an actual prostitute, not just pretending to be one.
    3. She lived in the doomed city of Jericho, destined to be overrun and destroyed by the armies of Israel.
    4. Rahab shelters the Israelite spies during their reconnaissance mission and helps them escape.
    5. In return, she asks that she and her family be spared (redeemed).

6. She hangs a scarlet cord out of the window of her house, in plain view, so that everyone within her house would be spared (redeemed) by the advancing armies.
7. Everything seemed to be against Rahab. Not only was she a prostitute but also a Canaanite.
8. And yet, not only did she save herself and her family, but she joined the faith community of Israel, married into the royal tribe of Judah, and became the **mother of Boaz**, a notable ancestor of Jesus, one who would become known as the kindred redeemer!

(2) Our lives for yours

- (a) “Now therefore, I beg you, swear to me by the LORD, since I have shown you kindness, that you also will show kindness to my father’s house, and give me a true token, and **spare my father, my mother, my brothers, my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.**” So the men answered her, “**Our lives for yours,** if none of you tell this business of ours. And it shall be, when the LORD has given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with you.”” Joshua 2:12-14  
NKJV

C. Ruth (a sexually forward woman)

(1) The story of Ruth (the one redeemed)

(a) Read Ruth 1-4, but here's the lowdown:

1. In contrast to Tamar and Rahab, Ruth is one of the brightest and most appealing figures in all of Scripture.
2. A young Moabite widow marries into a Jewish family.
3. She loses everything with the deaths of her father-in-law and her husband.
4. Her mother-in-law, Naomi, decides to return from Moab to the land of Judah and Ruth was determined to stay with her.
5. Despite Naomi's best efforts to dissuade her, Ruth clings to Naomi—and to Yahweh.
6. Prospects look bleak for the two widows facing dire poverty. Nevertheless, Ruth remains positive and energetic in her efforts to find work and take care of her mother-in-law.
7. From her efforts she meets Boaz (Yes, Rahab's son. Can you see the common theme?) a rich landowner who is also related to Naomi.
8. Naomi instructs Ruth how to get close to Boaz and, in time, Ruth and Boaz are married, thereby securing



(redeeming) Naomi's—as well as Ruth's future prospects.

9. They have a son, Obed, who would be an ancestor of King David and of King Jesus. (This son is essentially credited to Naomi, by Ruth, to propagate the line of her deceased husband and son! Again, a Levirate Marriage allusion.)

1. *“So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife; and when he went in to her, **the LORD gave her conception, and she bore a son.** Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the LORD, **who has not left you this day without a close relative; and may his name be famous in Israel!** And may he be to you a **restorer of life** and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law, who loves you, who is better to you than seven sons, has borne him.” **Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her bosom, and became a nurse to him.** Also the neighbor women gave him 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. Now this is the genealogy of **Perez**: Perez begot Hezron;” Ruth 4:13-18 NKJV*

10. There's a palpable joy radiating from Ruth even during the worst of circumstances.
11. Like Boaz' mother, Rahab, she belonged to a race excluded from the commonwealth of Israel.
12. And yet by faith, she takes her place in the Lord's ancestry, which speaks volumes about God's kindness and redemption.

(2) The Kindred Redeemer!

(a) **Who will fulfill the the law of the Levirate Marriage?**

"There was a relative of Naomi's husband, a man of great wealth, of the family of Elimelech. His name was Boaz." Ruth 2:1 NKJV

- (b) **Ruth's character:** "And Boaz answered and said to her, **"It has been fully reported to me, all that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband,** and how you have left your father and your mother and the land of your birth, and have come to a people whom you did not know before. **The LORD repay your work, and a full reward be given you by the LORD** God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge."" Ruth 2:11-12 NKJV

- (c) **Positioned at the feet of the redeemer:** "Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, shall I not

seek security for you, that it may be well with you? Now Boaz, whose young women you were with, **is he not our relative?** In fact, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Therefore wash yourself and anoint yourself, put on your best garment and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. Then it shall be, when he lies down, that you shall notice the place where he lies; **and you shall go in, uncover his feet, and lie down;** and he will tell you what you should do.” And she said to her, “All that you say to me I will do.”” Ruth 3:1-5 NKJV

1. **A prostitute washes Y’shua’s feet**—“Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee’s house, and sat down to eat. And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee’s house, **brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears,** and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he

spoke to himself, saying, "This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner." And Jesus answered and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." So he said, "Teacher, say it." "There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?" Simon answered and said, "I suppose the one whom he forgave more." And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "**Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head.** You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil. Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little." Then He said to her, "Your sins are

forgiven.” And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” Then He said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”” Luke 7:36-50

- (d) **Boaz’ promise to perform the duty—of the Levirate Marriage:** “And he said, “Who are you?” So she answered, “I am Ruth, your maidservant. Take your maidservant under your wing, for you are a close relative.” Then he said, “Blessed are you of the LORD, my daughter! For you have shown more kindness at the end than at the beginning, in that you did not go after young men, whether poor or rich. **And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you request, for all the people of my town know that you are a virtuous woman.** Now it is true that I am a close relative; however, there is a relative closer than I. Stay this night, and in the morning it shall be that if he will perform the duty of a close relative for you—good; let him do it. But if he does not want to perform the duty for you, then I will perform the duty for you, as the LORD lives! Lie down until morning.”” Ruth 3:9-13
- (e) **Wait for it...** “Then she said, “**Sit still, my daughter, until you know how the matter will turn out;** for the

man will not rest until he has concluded the matter this day.”” Ruth 3:18 NKJV

- (f) **The Sandal!** “Now Boaz went up to the gate and sat down there; and behold, the close relative of whom Boaz had spoken came by. So Boaz said, “Come aside, friend, sit down here.” So he came aside and sat down. And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, “Sit down here.” So they sat down. Then he said to the close relative, “Naomi, who has come back from the country of Moab, sold the piece of land which belonged to our brother Elimelech. And I thought to inform you, saying, ‘**Buy it back in the presence of the inhabitants and the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, redeem it; but if you will not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know; for there is no one but you to redeem it, and I am next after you.**’ ” And he said, “I will redeem it. ” Then Boaz said, “On the day you buy the field from the hand of Naomi, you must also buy it from Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to perpetuate the name of the dead through his inheritance.” And the close relative said, “I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I ruin my own inheritance. You redeem my right of redemption for yourself, for I cannot redeem it. ” Now

this was the custom in former times in Israel concerning redeeming and exchanging, **to confirm anything: one man took off his sandal and gave it to the other**, and this was a confirmation in Israel.” Ruth 4:1-7 NKJV **[as opposed to the man with no sandal who will NOT REDEEM]**

1. **The man who will not redeem:** “Then the elders of his city shall call him and speak to him. But if he stands firm and says, ‘**I do not want to take her,**’ then his brother’s wife shall come to him in the presence of the elders, **remove his sandal from his foot, spit in his face,** and answer and say, ‘So shall it be done to the man **who will not build up his brother’s house.**’ **And his name shall be called in Israel, ‘The house of him who had his sandal removed.’”** Deuteronomy 25:8-10 NKJV
- (g) **So that the name may not be blotted out!** “Therefore the close relative said to Boaz, “Buy it for yourself.” So he took off his sandal. And Boaz said to the elders and all the people, “You are witnesses this day that I have bought all that was Elimelech’s, and all that was Chilion’s and Mahlon’s, from the hand of Naomi. Moreover, Ruth the Moabite, the widow of Mahlon, I

have acquired as my wife, to perpetuate the name of the dead through his inheritance, that the name of the dead may not be cut off from among his brethren and from his position at the gate. You are witnesses this day.”” Ruth 4:8-10 NKJV

- (h) **May your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah:** “And all the people who were at the gate, and the elders, said, “ We are witnesses. The LORD make the woman who is coming to your house like Rachel and Leah, the two who built the house of Israel; and may you prosper in Ephrathah and be famous in Bethlehem. **May your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah,** because of the offspring which the LORD will give you from this young woman.”” Ruth 4:11-12 NKJV
- (i) **Important Genealogies:** “So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife; and when he went in to her, the LORD gave her conception, and **she bore a son.** Then the women said to Naomi, “**Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a close relative; and may his name be famous in Israel!** And may he be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law, who loves you, who is better to



you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her bosom, and became a nurse to him. Also the neighbor women gave him 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. Now this is the genealogy of Perez:** Perez begot Hezron; Hezron begot Ram, and Ram begot Amminadab; Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon; Salmon begot Boaz, and Boaz begot Obed; Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David." Ruth 4:13-22 NKJV

**D. The wife of Uriah! (Bathsheba of course—a sexually immoral woman)**

- (1) The Story of Bathsheba (in search of a kindred redeemer)
  - (a) Read II Samuel 11-12, but here's the lowdown:
    - 1. The story of Bathsheba is rooted in lust, rape and infidelity.
    - 2. Bathsheba was the wife of Uriah the Hittite, one of King David's trusted military officers.
    - 3. David spotted Bathsheba bathing from the roof of his palace.

4. Why was he in his palace? Because he was in the wrong place at the wrong time; he should have been away at war!
5. Instead, David was where he shouldn't have been, allowing his eyes to linger and his heart to follow.
6. David gets Bathsheba pregnant and has her husband murdered to cover up the affair.
7. The firstborn baby born of their union dies as a consequence of God's judgment on their illicit relationship.
8. Bathsheba is certainly a victim here; given the times and the culture in which she lived, Bathsheba almost certainly had no power to refuse the advances of an absolute monarch.
9. Bathsheba becomes one of David's wives and later gives birth to Solomon, David's chosen heir and direct ancestor of Christ.
10. While David is the most significant name in the genealogy of Jesus, the inclusion of Bathsheba (**referred to as the wife of Uriah's**), gives us the allusion that David is fulfilling the law of the levirate marriage, redeeming Uriah and insuring that Uriah's name will not be blotted out of history!

11. **Food for thought:** *“He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not **blot out his name from the Book of Life**; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.”*

Revelation 3:5 NKJV

(2) See Section 2 above

(a) THE URIAH STORY

**E. Mary (appeared to be a sexually immoral woman)**

(1) The Story of Mary (Birth of the ultimate Kindred Redeemer—the Husband who restores all!)

(a) Here’s the lowdown:

1. Mary, after all, is the virgin who gave birth to the Son of God made flesh.
2. Both Mary and Joseph were descended from David through different family branches.
3. Luke traces the Lord’s biological ancestry through Mary’s branch, whereas Matthew traces His legal lineage through Joseph’s branch.
4. Mary is a humble young woman of faith who saw herself as God’s servant.

(2) The Appearance of Adultery

(a) **About to be put away for adultery until...** “Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother

Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. **Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly.** But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.”” Matthew 1:18-21

## ENDLESS GENEALOGIES

### 6. To Genealogy or not to Genealogy

#### A. Genealogies used for the wrong purpose

##### (1) Causing Disputes

- (a) **Lot's of details with no fruit:** “As I urged you when I went into Macedonia—remain in Ephesus that you may charge some that they teach no other doctrine, **nor give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which cause disputes rather than godly edification which is in faith.** Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere

faith, from which some, having strayed, have turned aside to idle talk, desiring to be teachers of the law, understanding neither what they say nor the things which they affirm." I Timothy 1:3-7 NKJV

(2) Instead...

(a) "But we know that **the law is good if one uses it lawfully,**" I Timothy 1:8 NKJV

## **B. Genealogies used lawfully**

(1) There is a son born to Naomi (really Ruth)

(a) "Also the neighbor women gave him 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. Now this is the genealogy of Perez:** Perez begot Hezron;" Ruth 4:17-18 NKJV

(2) Abraham's seed— Heirs According to the Promise

(a) **The Seed:** "Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though it is only a man's covenant, yet if it is confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. **Now to Abraham and his Seed** were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, **"And to your Seed," who is Christ.** And this I say, that the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before

by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no longer of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise.”

Galatians 3:15-18 NKJV

(b) **Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise:**

**“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.** For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”** Galatians 3:26-29 NKJV

(c) **Think on this:** Uriah (the Hittite!)—**Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise?**

**C. A Chosen Generation**

(1) The Royal Bloodline

- (a) **Ancestry does matter:** “But you are **a chosen generation, a royal priesthood**, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; **who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.”** I Peter 2:9-10 NKJV

1. "Then I will sow her for Myself in the earth, And I will have mercy on her who had not obtained mercy; Then I will say to those who were not My people, 'You are My people!' And they shall say, 'You are my God!' "" Hosea 2:23 NKJV

(2) The Bloodline Swap—No Jew No Greek

- (a) **Getting into family: "that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.** For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame."" Romans 10:9-11 NKJV
- (b) **Whoever calls: "For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him.** For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved."" Romans 10:12-13 NKJV

**D. Warning**

(1) Twisting Scriptures

- (a) "Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; and consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation—as also our beloved brother Paul,

according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, **which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures.** You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, **being led away with the error of the wicked;** but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen." II Peter 3:14-18 NKJV

LIAR, MURDERER OR...THANK YOU!

## 7. **You lying, adulterous murderer, or THANK YOU!**

### A. **You tell me...**

(1) It's all worth it!

(a) **Not worthy to be compared:** "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are **not worthy to be compared** with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

Romans 8:18 NKJV

(b) **Tested by fire:** "In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the **genuineness of your faith, being**



**much more precious than gold** that perishes, though it is **tested by fire**, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving **the end of your faith**—the salvation of your souls.” I Peter 1:6-9 NKJV

- (c) **Suffer for righteousness:** “And who is he who will harm you if you become followers of what is good? But even if you should **suffer for righteousness’ sake, you are blessed**. “And do not be afraid of their threats, nor be troubled.”” I Peter 3:13-14 NKJV
- (d) **You will be glad:** “Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that **when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy**.” I Peter 4:12-13 NKJV
- (e) **Count it all joy:** “My brethren, **count it all joy** when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have **its perfect work**, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.” James 1:2-4 NKJV

(2) Final Conclusion!

(a) **Ancestry of the Father:** "and they **recited their ancestry** by families, **by their fathers' houses...**" Numbers 1:18 NKJV

(b) **Preserving a name:** "'If brothers dwell together, and **one of them dies and has no son**, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; **her husband's brother shall go in** to her, take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. **And it shall be that the firstborn son which she bears will succeed to the name of his dead brother, that his name may not be blotted out of Israel.**"

Deuteronomy 25:5-6 NKJV

(c) **Inserted into History:** "So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife; and when he went in to her, the LORD gave her conception, **and she bore a son**. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has **not left you this day without a close relative; and may his name be famous in Israel!** And may he be to you **a restorer of life** and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law, who loves you, who is better to you than seven sons, has borne him." **Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her bosom, and became**

**a nurse to him.** Also the neighbor women gave him 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. Now this is the genealogy of **Perez:** Perez begot Hezron;” Ruth 4:13-18 NKJV

(d) **Uriah a “Jedidiah” (Inserted into Eternity—not blotted out):** “and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been **the wife of Uriah.**” Matthew 1:6 NKJV

1. **Food for thought:** *“He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not **blot out his name from the Book of Life**; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.”*  
Revelation 3:5 NKJV

***“You lying, adulterous murderer, or THANK YOU?”***

**THANK YOU!**

## **Summary: MY REDEEMER LIVES**

### **1. ANCIENT ANCESTRY**

- a) Purposeful Genealogies are kept through the Father's name.

### **2. THE URIAH STORY**

- a) David found himself in wrong place, at wrong time, and made poor choices, and had a very bad outcome.
- b) Then he tried to cover it up. He lies and plots and goes as far as to have a man killed (and others) to hide his sin.
- c) At first when he is exposed, he maintains self-righteous denial!
- d) He ultimately repents, learns that sins have consequences and his firstborn son dies.
- e) God restores him and gives him Solomon, a new firstborn. But, a prophetically important nuance of this restoration will show up later.

### **3. ROYAL BLOODLINES**

- a) We learn in Jesus Christ that the genealogy matters.
- b) We discovered the 42 generations from Abraham to Christ
- c) And we see that God has remembered Uriah in that line-up!

### **4. THE LEVIRATE MARRIAGE**

- a) The Levirate Marriage requires a surviving brother to father a child for his dead brother if he had no male heir before he dies, so his name would not be blotted out (forgotten).

- b) This is a radical idea with Major Prophetic Implications.
- c) There is no greater implication of its critical importance than in the genealogy of Christ.

## 5. FIVE WOMEN—ONE COMMON STORY

- a) We see five women named in the genealogy of Christ (Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and Mary) but none more curious than how Bathsheba is remembered: *“and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been **the wife of Uriah**.”*
- b) God specifically remembers Uriah, a man who died with no sons and no brothers to stand in for him. God used the Royal Bloodline of David in which to insert Uriah’s legacy, and as a result, Uriah is remembered in the lineage of the Messiah!
- c) And the five women have one common story—redemption!

## 6. ENDLESS GENEALOGIES

- a) Endless genealogies for argument’s sake are no good, *“But we know that the law is good if one uses it lawfully...”*

## 7. LIAR, MURDERER OR...THANK YOU!

- a) Why? Because with a name preserved in the ancestral line of Christ, I am certain that instead of Uriah cursing David when they meet in eternity, he will instead say...THANK YOU!

## QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

### **1. The first census of Israel:**

- A. How were the Israelites divided and counted?
- B. Why is it significant that the ancestry of each family is recited according to the father's house?

### **2. Samuel dedicates two entire chapters to the narrative about David, Bathsheba and Uriah:**

- A. How do we know King David is at the wrong place at the wrong time?
- B. Describe what David does in an attempt to cover up his sin?
- C. What are the consequences of his and Bathsheba's actions?
- D. How does Yahweh view the birth of Solomon?

### **3. Matthew intentionally begins his Gospel with a detailed 42-generation genealogy from Abraham to Y'shua:**

- A. Name the five women mentioned in the genealogy.
- B. What is the common theme between all of them?
- C. Which woman demonstrates best how far God will go to preserve a name? Explain your choice.
- D. What is most curious about the genealogy from the captivity in Babylon until Christ?

### **4. Describe in detail the Law of the Levirate marriage.**

- A. What is done to a man who refuses to fulfill this biblical duty.

**5. Distinguish the warning against heeding talk of endless genealogies from the importance of recognizing bloodlines.**

**How does this relate to:**

- A. ...all believers being “sons of God and Abraham’s seed”?
- B. ...all believers being a “chosen generation?”
- C. ...there being “no distinction between Jew and Greek”?

**6. With everything you’ve learned in this study, I want you to contemplate what a heavenly encounter between David and Uriah would look like. Would Uriah...**

- A. ...curse David and call him a lying, adulterous murderer?
- B. ...Thank David?
- C. Explain your choice!