

The Genesis of Jesus

Matthew 1:1-17

A few initial observations ...

Whereas Luke’s Gospel goes back to _____, Matthew’s only goes back to _____.

This is to show that ...

Whereas Luke’s Gospel runs from David to David’s son _____, Matthew’s runs through _____.

This is to show that ...

The _____ division ...

The emphasis on #14 ...

The inclusion of _____ ...

4 Big Reveals:

The _____ of Jesus!

This genealogy reveals that Jesus is The Christ, The Son of Abraham, and The Son of David.

He is the author of the _____. (Rev. 21:5)

He is the _____ who will reign forever. (2 Samuel 7:13,16, Luke 1:33)

He is _____ through whom all the nations will be blessed. (Gen 12:3, Gal. 3:16)

God’s _____ and _____!

This genealogy isn’t primarily about the people listed. It is about _____! It is God who has carried this family line along all along!

Sinclair Ferguson:

“From the very beginning God knew exactly where He was going. Throughout the centuries he was directing history to this moment. Despite his people’s failures and trials, despite various cataclysmic events (like the exile in Babylon), the longest-standing and most difficult-to-keep promise of God has come to fulfillment in Jesus.” (The Dawn of Redeeming Grace, pp. 21-22)

God’s _____ towards sinners!

This genealogy isn’t untouched by _____ and _____.

And his genealogy includes _____!

His eternal family will include all who come to him in _____ and will include _____.

The _____ of God’s plan of redemption!

It is by design that the New Testament begins with a _____.

The story of Jesus is placed firmly in _____ and _____ (history).

And all of Israel’s story has been leading up to Jesus – The anointed King who is ushering in the _____.

This is the new _____!

My Response:

Sunday, December 31

10am Worship

All My Boast Is In Jesus

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Adoration.....Dave Lindey
Psalm 95:1-5

95 Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! ³ For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

His Mercy Is More

Come Thou Fount

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Thanksgiving..... Dan Tankersley
Micah 5:2-5

² But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. ³ Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth; then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel. ⁴ And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. ⁵ And he shall be their peace. When the Assyrian comes into our land and treads in our palaces, then we will raise against him seven shepherds and eight princes of men;

Offering

Your Name (Christmas Version)

Message Paul Thompson
The Genesis of Jesus
Matthew 1:1-17

Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

Benediction Patrick Lima
Jude 24-25

²⁴ Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, ²⁵ to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Ten Minutes Each Day Will Change Your Life

The Bible is a big book. But reading the Bible for just ten minutes a day will radically change your life. Where should you begin reading? There are plenty of Bible reading plans that make it easy. Below are a few that we think are helpful.

5x5x5 Bible Reading Plan (Beginner)

This plan allows you to read the entire New Testament in a year by reading for five minutes a day five times a week. With each reading there are five suggestions for how you can dig deeper into the passage and apply it to your life. [web.archive.org/web/20131207190241/http://www.navpress.com/uploadedFiles/5x5x5_BRP.pdf](http://www.navpress.com/uploadedFiles/5x5x5_BRP.pdf)

Discipleship Journal Bible Reading Plan (Intermediate)

This plan takes you through the entire Bible in a year by reading four small sections each day. Each month has only 25 days of reading so that you don’t get behind if you miss a day. This is the plan that we will include each week in our Sunday bulletin. navigators.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/navigators-bible-reading-plan.pdf

Robert Murray McCheyne’s Bible Reading Plan (Challenging)

McCheyne was a godly Scottish pastor in the 19th century who created a challenging Bible reading plan for his own use. This plan takes the reader through the New Testament and Psalms twice and the rest of the Old Testament once each year. mcheyne.info/calendar.pdf

So ... choose a plan, determine a time, pray for God’s help, and read! Don’t get discouraged if you don’t understand something right away. Keep a pen and paper nearby to write down questions you have as you read. Ask a small group leader or a pastor to help answer your questions, or better yet, find someone to regularly discuss your Bible reading with as a way to have some accountability.

Want to hear God speak to you this year? Read the Scriptures!

Meaningful Membership

Sundays, January 7-28 | 8:30am | Parlor

If you are considering membership at Calvary, please join us for the 4-week Meaningful Membership classes. For more information, contact Angie in the church office or email angie@calvarydothan.com.

Women’s Ministry

Prayer: We look forward to praying through the Psalms together on a daily basis for the month of February. Prayer guides will be given out at the end of January.

Bible Study: March 2024 | Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6pm for our study of 1-2 Peter: *Living Hope in a Hard World* by Lydia Brownback

Coffee & Connect: Sunday, March 10 | 3pm at ROC Discussion: Women & Words

High School Winter Retreat

9th-12th Grade | February 16-19 | \$185 | Shocco Springs in Talladega, AL

Register online by February 4!

Opportunity for Local Missions Volunteers

Girard Intermediate is a place where we, as followers of Christ and members of this local expression of His Church, can make a difference in the lives of young boys and girls. We would love for you to do this by signing up to be a mentor and tutor for the next generation of children that reside in our community. All you need is compassion, patience, and the willingness to be a one-on-one tutor 30 minutes to 1 hour a week. For more details or to volunteer, contact Tommy Perry at tommy@calvarydothan.com.

Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions

Calvary's Goal: \$150,000

Every penny of this offering is used to support Southern Baptist missionaries as they share the hope and grace we have in Jesus Christ.

2024 Mission Trips

If you are interested in one or more of the mission trips in 2024, contact tommy@calvarydothan.com.

Guatemala: March 1-4 & October 11-14

India: June 19-28

Kenya: June 25-July 3

New York: November 8-11

Oregon: July 6-13

Vermont: April 7-13 & October 20-26

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

- I trusted Jesus as Savior.
- I’d like to join Calvary Baptist Church.
- I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.
- Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pastors & Prayer Team Only
- Churchwide

Connect Card

December 31, 2023

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate, or in the boxes by the exits.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Attender
- Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

Male Female

Married Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Children:

Name / Date of Birth

Name / Date of Birth

Name / Date of Birth

Name / Date of Birth

Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

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December Missions Spotlight

Northeastern Baptist College (Bennington, Vermont)

Northeastern seeks to impact the Northeast, the United States, and the world by training students to have the mind of a scholar, the heart of a shepherd, and the perseverance of a soldier through the provision of a college education with a biblical foundation and a distinctive blend of academic excellence and practical mentoring. NEBC provides an academically strong, biblically sound, and practically relevant college education from their campus strategically located in the Northeast. If you would like to learn more about their ministry work, you can visit nbcvt.org. Also, if you would like to know how to pray for NEBC, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

The Ark (Local Missions Partner)

The Ark is a place of hope, healing, and help. Their mission is to nurture the total needs of humanity—mind, body, and soul. They are committed to guide individuals so that they can discover their God-given purpose and live out that very purpose. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work at The Ark, you can visit thearkdothan.org or visit facebook.com/thearkdothan/. Prayer needs for The Ark can be found on prayer cards at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

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Open Classes

The purpose of Open Classes is to teach biblical doctrine across the spectrum of Christian life, create environments where members can interact with as many members as possible, develop and train teachers of biblical doctrine, and train members to pass along what they learn.

For a complete list of the current Open Classes offered, go to calvarydothan.com/open-classes/.

THE PEOPLE CAME...

December 24

Life Group and Worship Totals will be available in January 7 bulletin.

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given December 24: Total available in December 31 bulletin
Y-T-D Budget
Surplus (Deficit): (\$182,882.85)

NAVIGATORS BIBLE READING PLAN

Week 1, December 31-January 6

- Matt 1:1-17, Acts 1:1-11, Ps 1, Gen 1-2
- Matt 1:18-25, Acts 1:12-26, Ps 2, Gen 3-4
- Matt 2:1-12, Acts 2:1-21, Ps 3, Gen 5-8
- Matt 2:13-23, Acts 2:22-47, Ps 4, Gen 9-11
- Matt 3:1-12, Acts 3, Psalms 5, Gen 12-14

Sunday Schedule

- 8:30am Life Groups & Open Classes
- 10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center
Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5,
Chapel (except 1st Sunday)
- 11:00am Worship Broadcast on JoyFM
94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.
- 5:00pm Family Worship, Sanctuary
Childcare for Babies-K3

Wednesday Schedule

- 6:00pm Open Classes, D-Groups, Life
Groups
Birth-K5, Preschool Bldg
Grades 1-5, Chapel
Grades 6-12, Student Room
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room



I'm New Here

We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church.

To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate or in one of the offering

boxes when you exit the Fellowship Center.

Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table after the service for a gift from us!

How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/.

If you would like to view a pdf of today's AM sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/messages.

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– Micah 5:2



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BAPTIST CHURCH