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### Why Start With a Family Tree?

<sup>1</sup> This is a record of the ancestors of Jesus the Messiah, a descendant of David and of Abraham: <sup>2</sup> Abraham was the father of Isaac. Isaac was the father of Jacob. Jacob was the father of Judah and his brothers. Matthew 1:1-2 (NLT)

- Meeting the \_\_\_\_\_ test.
- A Hebrew - \_\_\_\_\_
- In the Kingly Line - \_\_\_\_\_

### Matthew's Tell All Account

<sup>3</sup> Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah (whose mother was Tamar). Perez was the father of Hezron. Hezron was the father of Ram. <sup>4</sup> Ram was the father of Amminadab. Amminadab was the father of Nahshon. Nahshon was the father of Salmon. <sup>5</sup> Salmon was the father of Boaz (whose mother was Rahab). Boaz was the father of Obed (whose mother was Ruth). Obed was the father of Jesse. <sup>6</sup> Jesse was the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon (whose mother was Bathsheba, the widow of Uriah).

Matthew 1:3-6 (NLT)

- \_\_\_\_\_ women are included.
- Jesus' family is just like \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew could \_\_\_\_\_ with this family.

### Matthew's Story

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at his tax collector's booth. "Follow me and be my disciple," Jesus said to him. So Matthew got up and followed him. <sup>10</sup> Later, Matthew invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. <sup>11</sup> But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with such scum?" <sup>12</sup> When Jesus heard this, he said, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do." <sup>13</sup> Then he added, "Now go and learn the meaning of this Scripture: 'I want you to show mercy, not offer sacrifices.' For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners." Matthew 9:9-13 (NLT)

Old

New

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### Look Who Is On the Guest List

<sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. Luke 2:10-11 (NIV2011)

- A Savior for \_\_\_\_\_
- To save us from \_\_\_\_\_

The point of Christmas is that Jesus came for those who are wounded, hurting & sinful.

### My Next Step Today Is To...

- Admit that I am a sinner and that I want to receive God's forgiveness, trusting in what Jesus did for me.
- Live a life that celebrates what Jesus has done for me, allowing my acts to be an expression of love rather than my effort to earn salvation.
- Look beyond others brokenness to the redemption possibilities.
- Meditate on and/or memorize Matthew 9:13b