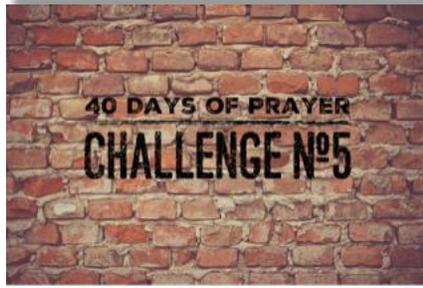


Week 4 of Challenge #5  
Week of Oct. 4 - 8  
Chapter 20



## *Son of David*

YESTERDAY, my pastor started the sermon out with these words, “to me family is.....” We would probably all have various answers to fill in the blank, since we are all part of a family. We have our family of birth, some of a family by adoption, many of us are raising our own family – having married and bear children of our own. Regardless of your family status or your family feelings, God had a plan for the family from the beginning of time and He has a plan for the family today. My pastor continued to explain that the Hebrew word “toledot” is most often translated “generations.” Tolodot is the story or genetic line that came from – generated from – a person or event.

When we open the New Testament to the book of Matthew we see recorded a genealogy to prove that Jesus is the descendant of both King David and Abraham. The prediction was prophesied that Jesus, the Messiah would be the fulfillment of the seed of David (2 Samuel 7:12-16). Jesus IS THE promised Messiah, which means He had to be the lineage of David. So, we see in the gospel of Matthew that Jesus, in His humanity, was a direct descendant of David through Joseph, Jesus’ legal father. And in Luke 3, the genealogy traces Jesus’ lineage through His mother, Mary. So why is this important? Why is family and all the accounts of family lineage important throughout the Bible?

I read in one commentary that the title “Son of David” is more than a statement of physical genealogy. It is a Messianic title. When people referred to Jesus as the Son of David, they meant that He was the long-awaited Deliverer, the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies.

Seventeen verses in the New Testament describe Jesus as the “son of David.” We see in these verses that people addressed Him as “son of David,” which meant they declared their faith in Him as the Messiah. I love, especially, the story of the blind man who called out to the Son of David for help. He may have been physically unable to see, but he saw what the Pharisees couldn’t see. The blind man saw the Messiah he had awaited all his life. Jesus, the Messiah was more than the physical son of David. David called Jesus his Lord. Revelation 22:16, says that Jesus is the Root and the Offspring of David. As the Creator of All, Jesus existed long before David. As the human, however, he was the Descendent of David. Only the Son of God made flesh could say that he is the Root and the Offspring of David.

So why was family so important then and why is family so important now? Jesus, the creator, created the first family. He had and continues to have a plan for the family on earth. But most important, is that He has a plan for **ALL** to join His family. Jesus, the Son of David, has offered to all the free gift of becoming His sons and daughters, His bride, His inheritance, His chosen people. All we have to do is accept His gift and receive Him as Messiah, our long awaited true and only King. So for me, Jesus, the Son of David, is my family and that means everything.

***Additional daily reflections as we consider JESUS, SON OF DAVID:***

**Monday:** Read Mark 10:47. When Jesus stopped in at Jericho, he ministered to the blind beggar Bartimaeus. When Bartimaeus realized who Jesus was, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me?” He threw off his cloak – maybe the most valuable thing he owned – and followed Jesus. Bartimaeus’ name is etched in biblical history because he recognized Jesus for who He was, and trusted Him with all his heart and possessions. What do you need to trust Jesus with today?

**Tuesday:** Read Matthew 1:1-17. Jesus’ genealogy proves that he was part of history and that the Jewish history prepared the way for His birth. How does this reminder today, build up your faith and confidence in Jesus and His written word?

**Wednesday:** Read Matthew 1:1-17 again today. 40 people whose lifetimes span 2,000 years are recorded in these verses. Many of them had tarnished, sin stained lives. Jesus’ lineage was filled with imperfect people like you and I. Just a beautiful reminder today that Jesus uses broken lives to accomplish His plan. Remind someone else today that despite those sins of the past God can use them for His glory when they commit their lives to Him. God uses broken things.

**Thursday:** Read Luke 20:41. Consider the question Jesus asked in this verse. The central issue of life is what we believe about Jesus. Then, what we believe affects how we respond. What do you believe and how will you respond to His call? He’s always calling for a response to something.

**Friday:** Read Matthew 22:34-46. In verse 41, the religious leaders of the day couldn’t answer Jesus’ question. What about you??? What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he? Earlier in verses 34-37 Jesus answered the religious leaders quoting the “Shema” the central prayer of the Jews found in Deuteronomy 6:4-9. Take time today to pray Deuteronomy 6:4-9 aloud. Declare your confession of faith in Jesus with confidence today.

**EE Prayer Network**  
**Weekly Prayer Requests**  
**October 4, 2021**



*Adoration: praising God for who He is!*

**JESUS, SON OF DAVID:** Prayer of Adoration

JESUS, SON OF DAVID, You, are the Lord our God, You, are one. We love You with all our heart and with all our soul, and with all our strength. You are the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright Morning Star. You are God, the only true God, earnestly do we seek You; we thirst for You to fill us with Your living water that never runs dry. Your way is perfect; Your Word is proven. You are a shield to all who take refuge in You. For who is God beside You? And who is

the Rock except You, our Messiah? For it was You, Jesus, born that day to reign over the throne of David and over his kingdom. It is You who establishes and upholds justice and righteousness from this time on and forevermore. You are the Wonderful Counselor, our Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. Amen.

*Pause to express additional thoughts of praise and worship.*

*Confession : If we confess He is faithful to forgive.*

**JESUS, SON OF DAVID:** Prayer of Confession

Jesus, Son of David, remember Your compassions and Your mercies, for they are from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your loyal love remember me for the sake of Your goodness. I do not want even a hint of immorality, or any impurity or greed in my life, as these are improper for a saint of God. I do not want to give myself to obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are not fitting, but rather I will give myself to thanksgiving. Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is good report – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – may I think about such things.

*Ask the Spirit to search your heart and reveal any areas of unconfessed sin. Acknowledge these to the Lord and thank Him for His forgiveness.*

**T**hanksgiving- *Our mouths will speak in praise of the Lord!*

**JESUS, SON OF DAVID:** Prayer of Thanksgiving

Jesus, Son of David. I love You! You have heard my voice and my supplications, You, have turned Your ear to me. I will call on You as long as I live. I will give You thanks, Son of David, for Your fulfillment of prophecies and for Your promises. Your merciful love endures forever. Behold, You, will come again. You will come with power and Your arm will rule. Your reward is with You and Your recompense accompanies You. Your lovingkindness is great toward us. And Your truth endures forever. We praise You, Lord.

**Praise God For:**

- the **SYFW** at Wildwood Presbyterian Church in Tallahassee FL where Keith Hood taught 7 people. On OJT, 4 people heard the Gospel. We had a Sophomore from FSU attend and is continuing into Ev2. That gives two teams for the present semester.
- the **SYFW** at First United Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Birmingham AL taught by Paul Golden. Twenty-four people attended from 3 churches. On OJT, 19 people heard the Gospel and 12 made professions of faith!
- for continuing to open doors across the USA for the Gospel of Jesus to be shared with the lost.
- at Croatan High School in North Carolina, about 25 students gathered to pray, according to the Carteret County News-Times. 'There is just so much going on in our country and in our leaders. It's so important that we pray for our country,' freshman Faith Eilertson said. 'The leaders need wisdom because they are facing so many situations.'"

- that groups large and small, with thoughts said aloud and others held close in silence, America’s students began in prayer at the annual ‘See You at the Pole’ event. As noted by CBN News.

**Supplication-** *The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.*

**JESUS, SON OF DAVID:** Prayer of Supplications

Jesus, Son of David, give us strength like never before to declare that You are who You said You are and we can trust that You will do what You said You would do. Your commandments have been given and they are to be on our hearts. May we impress them upon our children. May we talk about them when we sit at home and when we walk along the road, when we lie down and when we get up. May your commandments be wrapped around every single part of our life. May our homes speak of You. May our mouths declare Your goodness and Your glory. Ignite a fire in our hearts that burns for You and You alone.

**Ask God for:**

- all of the plans and preparations for Congress Of Nations in 2022.
- His favor on the **Equip America** on Oct 23rd in Austin TX, Jacksonville FL, Memphis TN and Blairsville GA. Pray all four cities in this EA Event will be open to the Gospel message. Pray for the four churches involved to be free from Covid and that each site will be blessed with Your presence.
- many on-site prayer warriors to cover each Equip America training.
- the God who opened doors for this blessed influx of Afghan Refugees to open up opportunities for each of us, as he sees fit, to extend the love, grace, peace, and hope of Jesus to both newly arriving Afghans and Muslims.
- to help Christian colleges and universities to firmly stand for the Word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.
- Psalm 85:6 asks God a question that many Christians are echoing in these strange, dark and disheartening times: “Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?”
- each day to give us divine appointments to bring people to Christ and look for opportunities to share our faith.
- When the wicked seem to be winning and evil abounds, take time to read and pray through Psalm 10.

**(Share Your Faith Workshop, Everyday Evangelism, Hope For Kids, Mentoring for Multiplication)**

<b>SYFW</b>	10/9/21	Moorewood Baptist Church	Leedey OK
<b>SYFW</b>	10/16/21	Friendly Hills Church	Jamestown NC
<b>SYFW</b>	10/16/21	Restored Community Church	Eagle ID
<b>SYFW</b>	10/20-11/3/2021	Faith Community Church	Dublin OH
<b>SYFW</b>	11/13/21	First Baptist Church	South Otselic NY
<b>SYFW</b>	11/13/21	First Baptist Church	Rogers AR
<b>SYFW</b>	11/13/21	New Life Church	Taylorsville NC

<b>EV2 Launch</b>	10/15-16/21	Rio Life Community Church	Mercedes TX
<b>EV2 Launch</b>	10/28-29/21	First Baptist Church	Rogers AR
<b>EV2 Launch</b>	11/11/21	Zion Baptist Church	Brownsville TN
<b>HFK</b>	108-9/2021	Destination Church	Fletcher NC
<b>XEE</b>	10/14-16/21	CC Palabra de Vida	Raleigh NC