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## GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

### The Birth of Jesus (chs 1-2)

#### Genealogy (1:1-17)

emphasis on Abraham and David

three sections:

Abraham to David  
David to Babylonian Captivity  
Bab Capt to Jesus

fourteens app partly artificial (see <sup>1</sup> Chron 3):  
missing Joash, Amaziah, Azariah betw Uzziah and Jotham  
missing Jehoiakim betw Josiah and Jeconiah  
a play on name "David" is suggested  
the 3 consonantal letters DVD add up to fourteen

genealogy looks like Joseph's, moves throught royal line  
(contrast Luke: Mary's, Davidic line, but not royal)  
but Jer 22:30 curses Matthew's line (Jeconiah)  
virgin birth and adoption by Joseph circumvent this  
curse!

four women in genealogy (not counting Mary)

Tamar (3) (Gen 38) - Canaanite, incest  
Rahab (5) (Josh 2 & 6) - Canaanite, prostitute  
Ruth (5) (Ruth) - Moabite, faithful  
[Bathsheba] (6) - Uriah's wife

perhaps a reminder of involvement of women in  
redemption as well as in curse Gen. 3:15

#### Birth (1:18-25)

overlapping details w/ Luke:  
virgin conception  
birth at Bethlehem

but Matt appears to give Joseph's perspective, Luke Mary's  
Joseph's deliberation re/ Mary's pregnancy  
annunciation to Joseph  
dreams to Joseph re/ flight to Egypt and return

narrative

betrothed - Jewish engagement stronger than US type  
found to be pregnant - presumably by Joseph  
righteous man - not sure connection w/ what follows  
how does death penalty come into play if no  
witnesses?