

God's Faithfulness

Matthew 1:1-17

Key Verse: 1

1. Read verse 1. What were the promises which God gave to Abraham and to David? (Ge 12:2-3; 2Sa 7:12-16) How did they respond to God's promise? (Ge 26:5; 2Sa 7:18-19) What does "Messiah" mean? (Gen 3:15)
2. Read verses 2-6a. Who were the patriarchs and how did they share Abraham's faith? (Heb 11:8-9) Who are the three women mentioned in the first period? What do they have in common? (Ge 38:14,25-26; Joshua 2:8-11; Heb 11:31; Ruth 1:16-17)
3. Read verses 6b-11. What does 6b tell us about David's sin and his faith? (2Sa 11:2-5; Ps 51:1-3) What do they teach us about the history of Israel? What tragic event did it lead to? (Jer 25:4)
4. Read verses 12-17. How could the exile to Babylon turn men's hearts to God's promises? How does this genealogy reveal God's grace and God's faithfulness? What does it show about his redemptive history? What does it show about Jesus?