

SEMILLA

-CELL GROUPS-

Matthew 1:1-17

"The birth of the Messiah"

Objective: Locate ourselves at the climax of the biblical narrative: the birth of Jesus Christ (part one).

## Icebreaker:

If you had to design a shield that reflects the history of your family, how would you design it? (moderator gives some examples)

### To Start:

- 1. Let's review together all the memory verses of 2 Peter and then some volunteers say them from memory.
- 2. Let us briefly share some of our notes and/or our reflections derived from last Sunday's teaching in "Semilla Online", Matthew 1:1-17

#### To Observe:

- 1. After reading verses 1 and 16 in various versions, let's talk: What titles does Matthew give Jesus in his genealogy? PART ONE
- 2- Why does Matthew identify Jesus as a descendant of both Abraham and David? (Let's read Galatians 3:16-18 and 2 Samuel 7:11-16 to discover and discuss the answer)



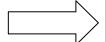
- 3. What are the three major sections in this genealogy and what is the climax that Matthew presents in each of them? (Moderator makes sure the group understands this "double" question)
- 4. What do you know about the women included in this genealogy? (let's discuss)

## To Reflect:

- 1. If the story of your life were told in a movie, what kind of role would you give Jesus? The co-star, the supporting character, the main or leading character, an "extra", another?
- 2. In what ways has Jesus been a blessing to you?
- 3. To which of the three groups represented in this genealogy do you think you belong: To the group that could boast of "spiritual ancestry," to the group of the lost and lost, or to the group of Jesus' disciples?
- 4. How can the stories of these women give you hope?

Let's have a time of prayer.

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# Matthew 1:23 NIV

<sup>23</sup> "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us").