

Investigating Jesus

Baptism and Genealogy of Jesus

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What makes Jesus the Savior I need?

²¹ When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, **heaven** was opened ²² and the **Holy Spirit descended** on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:21-22, NIV

- Jesus was baptized:
- As an <u>anointing</u> from God.
- And the <u>Triune</u> God was active.
- Even though he didn't need to <u>repent</u>.
- To fulfill my <u>righteousness</u>.

Would you want to use an ancestry test?

Why or why not?

²³ Now Jesus himself was about thirty years old when he began his ministry. He was the son, so it was thought, of Joseph,

the son of Heli, ²⁴ the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, the son of Melki, the son of Jannai, the son of Joseph, ²⁵ the son of Mattathias, the son of Amos, the son of Nahum, the son of Esli, the son of Naggai, ²⁶ the son of Maath, the son of Mattathias, the son of Semein, the son of Josek, the son of Joda, ²⁷ the son of Joanan, the son of Rhesa, the son of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel,

the son of Neri, ²⁸ the son of Melki, the son of Addi, the son of Cosam, the son of Elmadam, the son of Er, ²⁹ the son of Joshua, the son of Eliezer, the son of Jorim, the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, ³⁰ the son of Simeon, the son of Judah, the son of Joseph, the son of Jonam, the son of Eliakim, ³¹ the son of Melea, the son of Menna, the son of Mattatha, the son of Nathan, the son of David, ³² the son of Jesse, the son of Obed, the son of Rahshon,

the son of Amminadab, the son of Ram, the son of Hezron, the son of Perez, the son of Judah, ³⁴ the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham, the son of Terah, the son of Nahor, ³⁵ the son of Serug, the son of Reu, the son of Peleg, the son of Eber, the son of Shelah, ³⁶ the son of Cainan, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem, the son of Noah, the son of Lamech, ³⁷ the son of Methuselah, the son of Enoch, the son of Jared, the son of Mahalalel, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God. **Luke 3:23-38, NIV**

Jesus' ancestry mattered.

It showed he is both true <u>God</u> and true <u>man</u>.

My spiritual ancestry reminds me I am a child of God.

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My next step:

I am a child of God bought with the blood of Jesus Christ. I will live with confidence that Jesus is true God and true man – he is my Savior from sin.

What's your next step?

Mark it on your connection card.

To be my perfect Savior, Jesus needed to live the life God demanded of me. How is even my repentance and confession to God tainted by sin?

Because of Jesus, after a baptism the pastor could say to the person who was baptized, "You are God's child, he is pleased with you." Why is this truth so powerful for a Christian to hear and know and live?

The genealogy of Jesus is a reminder of his humanity and deity. Is there more of your ancestry that you wish you knew? What do you want to know and why?