

Jesus Christ, the Son of David

WEEK 2

WARM-UP

- What are the ideal characteristics you are looking for in a king, ruler, or leader?
- What was the highest position of authority you were given?
 What was the most significant thing you did while you were in this position?
- If you meet an authority figure with the power to make an impact in your life, what would you ask him or her to do for you?

WORD The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. **MATTHEW 1:1**

¹²When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. **2 SAMUEL 7:12-13**

By introducing Jesus as the *son of David* in his Gospel, Matthew established Jesus' royal lineage and connection to God's covenant with Israel. God promised David an offspring—a future king who would establish a kingdom that would never end. By linking Jesus to David, Matthew emphasized that Jesus is the promised King from David's line. Jesus is the one building God's true house. It is not a physical temple, but a spiritual one composed of believers who have been set apart for Him. Today, we will look at two reasons we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the King God promised to His people.

Jesus is the promised King people have been waiting for.

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Just like the Israelites who clamored for a king, people in our
present age also tend to look at different leaders for guidance
and security. However, history tells us that great leaders are
rare. God made a promise to David that he would have a
future descendant who would establish an eternal kingdom.
Upon hearing this, the people of Israel waited for a king who
would rule justly here on earth and defeat their enemies. But
Jesus is not just an earthly ruler. He is the King of Kings and
Lord of Lords who shall execute justice and righteousness in
the land (Jeremiah 23:5). In Jesus, we finally find the King we
have been waiting for—one who rules with love and justice,
and who brings the presence of God into our lives. When was
the last time you waited on Jesus to move in your situation?
What happened and how did King Jesus show you that He is
in control of details in your life?

2 King Jesus rules and reigns forever.

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Unlike earthly rulers, whose reigns are temporary and often
marked by failure, Jesus' reign is permanent and unshakable.
His eternal reign ensures that God's kingdom is secure
and will never be overthrown or replaced. The <i>house</i> Jesus
is building is not just a physical structure, but a spiritual
dwelling—the Church—where God's presence abides with
His people. Because of this, we can have hope and security,
knowing that we are under the rule of a King who will never
fail us. His perfect, just, and loving leadership gives us the
confidence to face uncertainty and challenges. No matter
what happens in the world, we know that King Jesus is in
charge, and His kingdom will endure. What does Isaiah 9:6-7
say about Jesus and His kingdom?

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- Is there any area in your life that you need to surrender to Jesus as the King of your life? What do you think King Jesus is telling you to do regarding this?
- Have you placed your trust, hope, and security in leaders more than Jesus? What do you think you will do differently as a result of today's lesson?
- This week, make a list of your friends or family members who need to experience the peace and security that comes from knowing Jesus as the King who rules and reigns forever. What are the things you can do to reach out to them in the coming days?

PRAYER

- Praise God for fulfilling His promise by sending Jesus who rules the world in justice and loving kindness. Ask Him to give you faith to believe that He is in control despite what you see from leaders around you.
- Pray for more people with the fear of God to be placed in positions of authority. Pray for godly rulers who will reflect Christ and lead with wisdom, righteousness, and integrity.
- Pray for two or three people you know who have been waiting for God to move in their lives. Pray that they would see Jesus for who He is, and put their complete trust in Him.

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