



# Long Expected King

the book of matthew

**WEEK 1** | DEC 11 - DEC 15, 2017  
**MATTHEW 1.1-17**

1. What is the significance of Matthew starting this Gospel by saying “...Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.” What might this tell us about why he is writing, and who he is writing to?
2. This genealogy traces the coming of the long expected king. Share a time in your life where you waited for something you desperately wanted but God responded in an unexpected way?
3. We come to recognize that this genealogy—as messy and shocking as it may have been— leads to the coming of Jesus Christ himself. Share a time in your life where God has redeemed something ugly from your past and turned it into something beautiful.