

Jesus' "Nasty Grandmas"

Jesus origins were controversial, and those who judged Him based on His family background rather than seeing Him with spiritual eyes would miss out on their very salvation.

(See, Deuteronomy 23:2) Note the reactions to Jesus' family line in Mark 6:3, and John 8:39-47. _____

Jesus lineage is cited in **Matthew 1:1-17, and Luke 3:23-38**

In reading both of these genealogies, how are they different?

Why do you think they are different? _____

List any names you recognize in them and what you know about them: _____

Genesis 38 records the story of **Tamar**, and how she conceived her son Perez. Who was Judah, and what do you think about this account? _____

Why wasn't the lineage in Matthew able to solely support the line of the Messiah? (See, Jeremiah 22:30 and Matthew 1:11)

According to Duet. 23:2, could Joseph enter the assembly?

_____ ; Under Jer. 22:30, could he father the Messiah? _____

Rahab was noted in Joshua 2:1-7. What do you think of this connection to Jesus' heritage? _____

Matthew 1:6 doesn't mention her name, but who is this woman referred to as the **mother of Solomon**? (See, 2Samuel 11:2-21)

Who is the son of David in Mary's lineage (Luke 3:31)? _____

Any persons of Mary's line who could never be a part of the Messianic lineage? _____ If Joseph was Jesus' biological father, what would Deut. 23:2 mandate for Him?

Given this background, look again at the account of the woman caught in adultery and Jesus reaction in John 8:1-11. Does this now look a little more personal? What are your thoughts: _____

How does this help you to understand better the heart of Jesus, and the description of Him in Hebrews 2:18 and 4:15? _____
