



Matthew Chapter 1 — “Jesus’ Family and Birth”

(Jesus is Emmanuel — God with us)

“The first part of this chapter (verses 1–17) lists the family tree of Jesus — all the people who came before Him. It’s a long list of names showing that Jesus was part of a real family and that God was working through many generations.

We’ll read over those verses quickly, just to notice that Jesus had many ancestors. Then we’ll slow down and listen carefully to the story starting with verse 18 — when the angel speaks to Joseph and tells him that Mary will have a baby named Jesus.”

- 1. Whose family story do we read about in this chapter?**
- 2. What does the angel tell Joseph to do when he learns Mary will have a baby?**
- 3. What special name does the angel say to call the baby, and what does it mean?**
- 4. How do you think Joseph felt when he decided to take care of Mary and baby Jesus?**
- 5. Jesus was born into a family. What are some ways our family shows love, like Joseph and Mary did?**