

The Gospel According To

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FAITH BUILDERS

Jesus - the Perfect Son of Man, Son of David, and Son of God

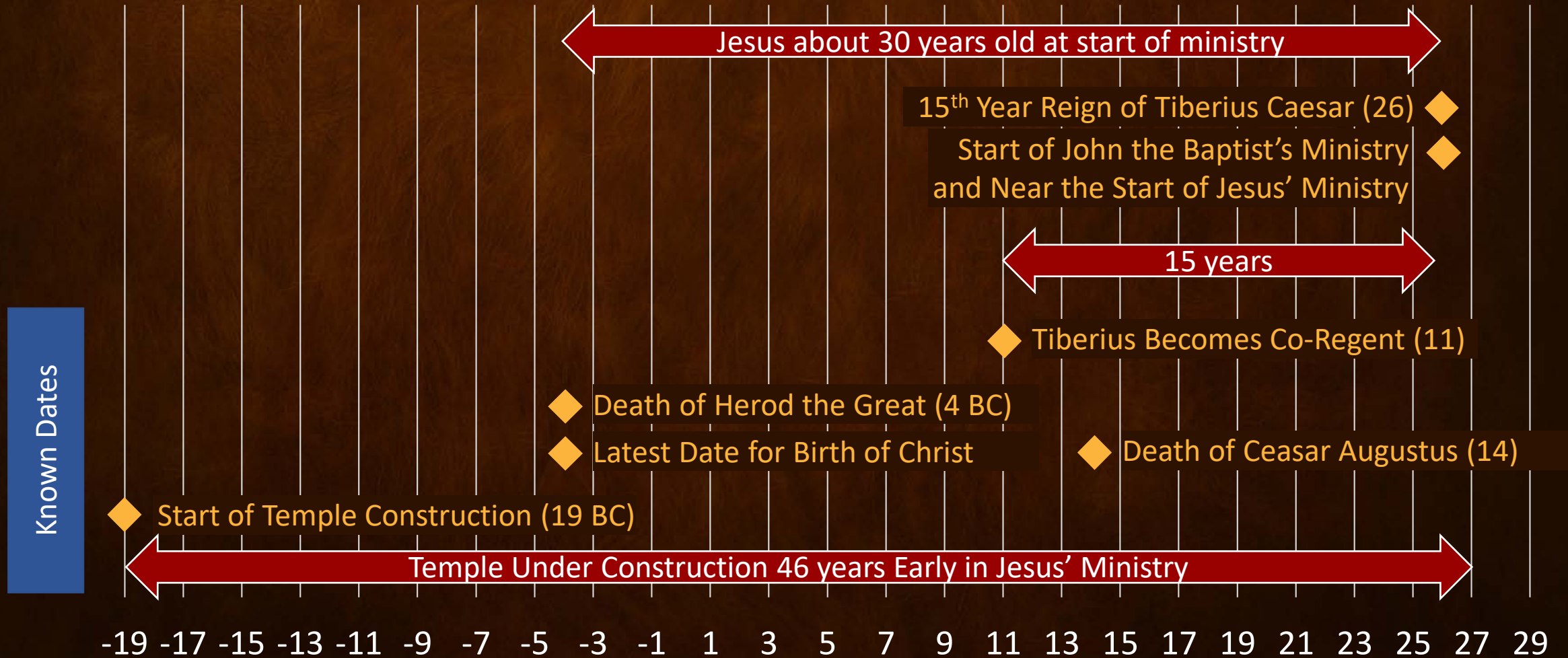
Luke 3:23 – 4:13

The Genealogy of Jesus the Messiah (3:23-38)

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- Likely AD 26

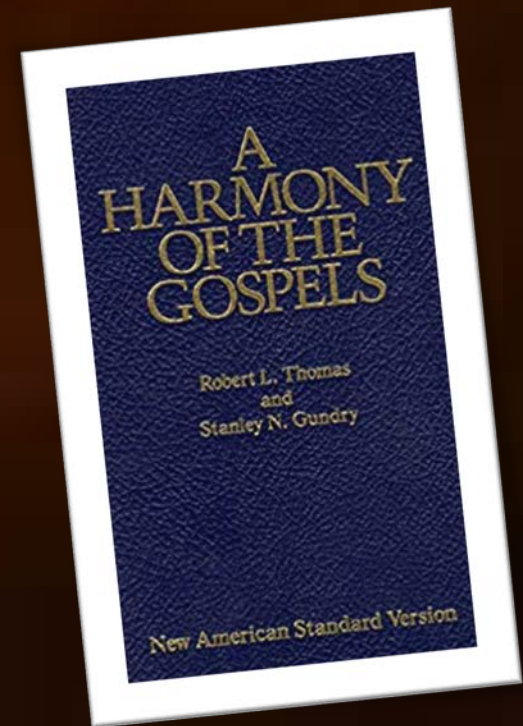
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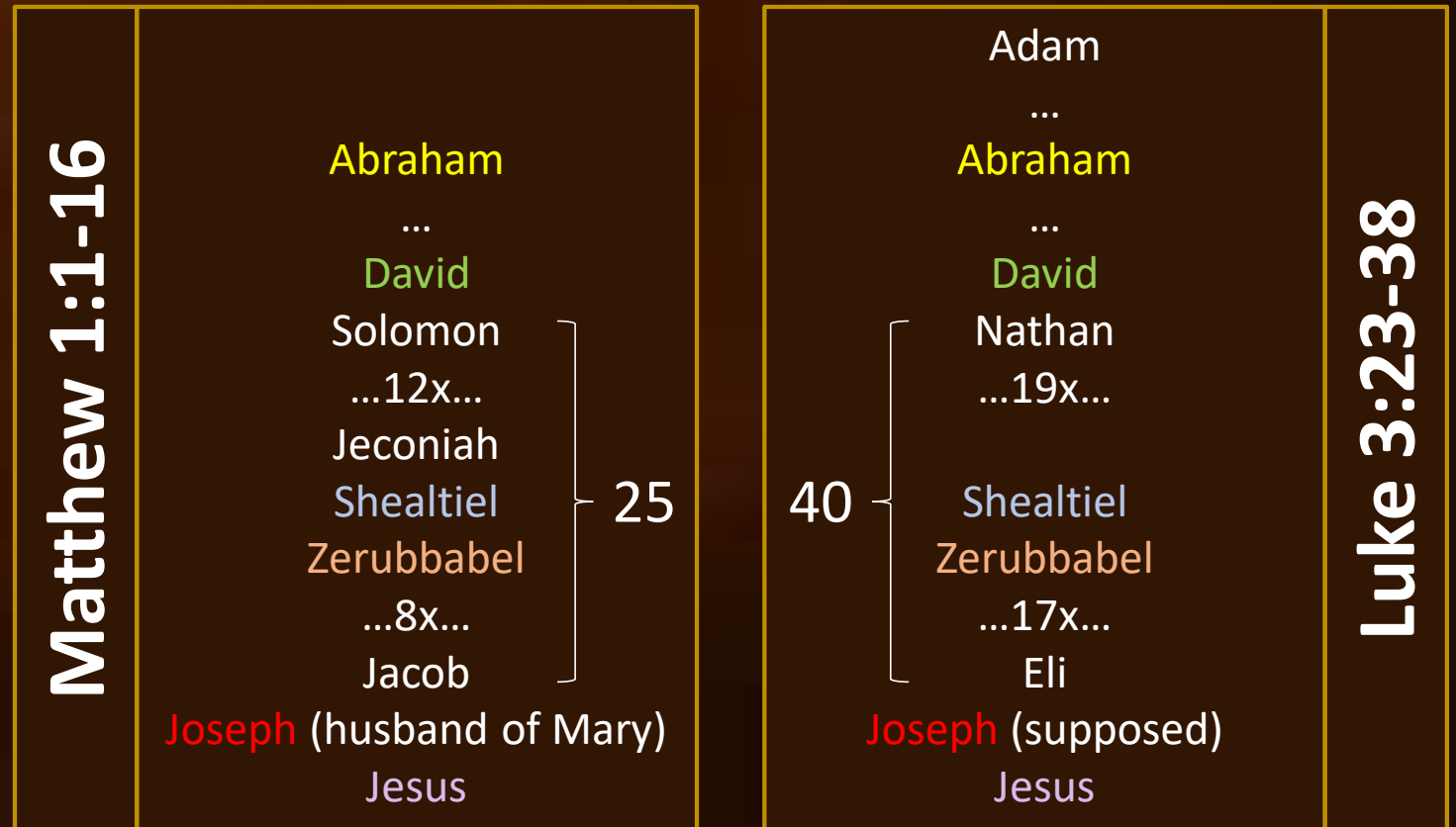
Jesus' genealogy is traced back through David to Adam (vv23b-38)



Comparison of the Genealogies of Jesus in Matthew and Luke

Issue 1: The difference in the number of generations listed from David to Jesus



- Ancestry lines can have children at different rates
- “Son of” can mean “descendant of”



Order is inverted

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Matthew 1:1-17		Luke 3:23-38	
			
Line of Joseph thru biological father Jacob		Line of Joseph thru legal father Eli (who died, and Jacob married his wife)	
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...		...	
David		David	
Solomon		Nathan	
...12x...		...19x...	
Jeconiah		Shealtiel	
Shealtiel		Zerubbabel	
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Jeremiah 22:30³⁰“Thus says the LORD, ‘Write this man down childless, A man who will not prosper in his days; For **no man of his descendants will prosper Sitting on the throne of David Or ruling again in Judah.**’ ”

Legal line of Joseph

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- Shows the blood line of Jesus back to David and Adam
- Emphasizes that He is the Messiah for all people
- Demonstrates that He has the legal right to the throne through Joseph yet not affected by the curse of Jeconiah because of Mary
- Everything about Jesus is perfect!

The Temptation of Jesus the Messiah (4:1-13)

Introductory reminders

- Jesus came to redeem sinners and utterly defeat Satan

Genesis 3:15 ¹⁵And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her seed; *He (the Promised Seed) shall bruise you (Satan) on the head*, And you shall bruise him on the heel.”

1 John 3:8 ...The Son of God appeared for this purpose, *to destroy the works of the devil.*

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- If Satan can get Jesus to commit just one sin, His mission is a failure and Satan is victorious
- Jesus is both truly God and also truly man, with an eternal divine nature and a human nature created in His incarnation

Introductory question

- Could Jesus have sinned in response to being tempted?

Two Views

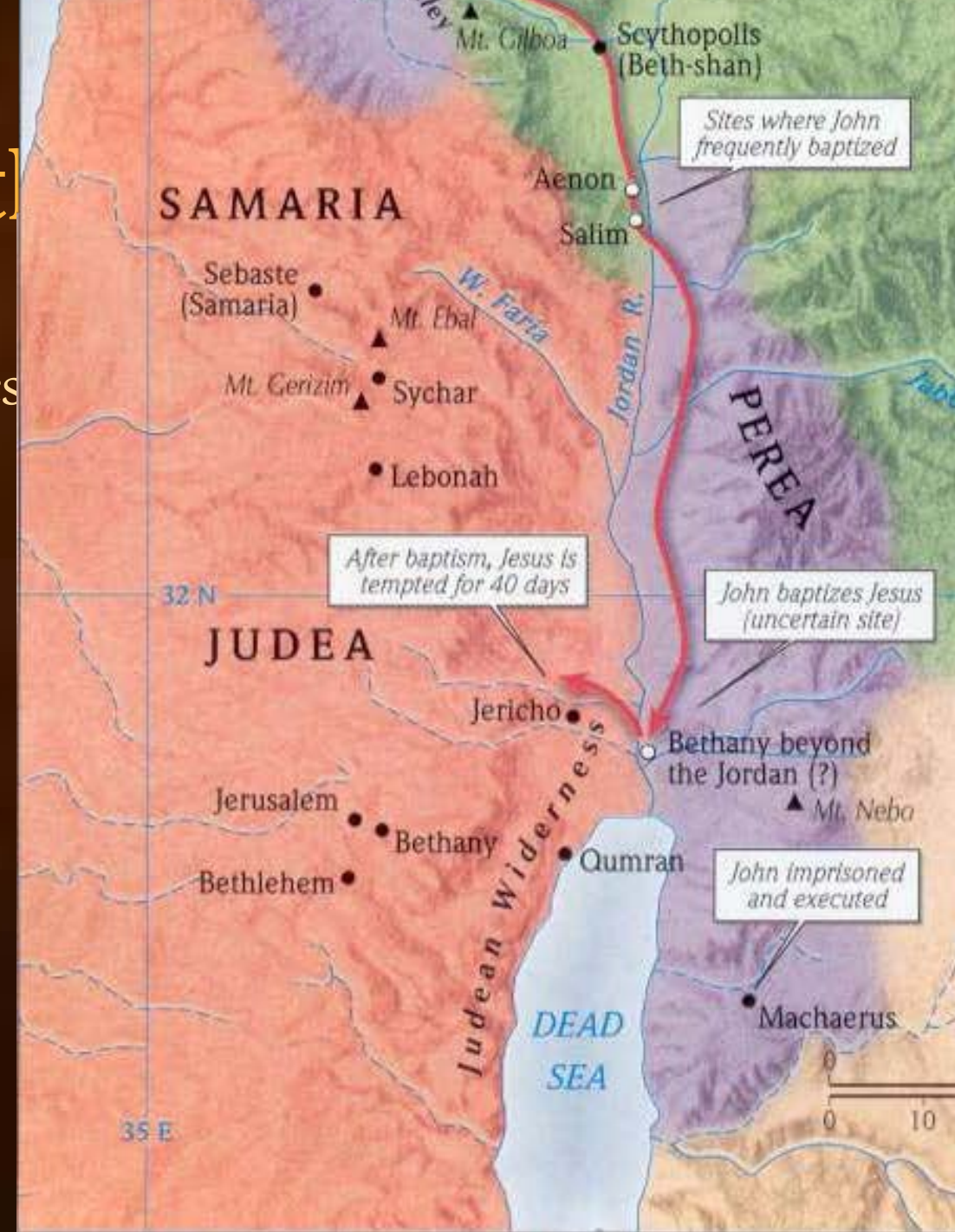
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Hebrews 4:15 ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as <i>we are</i> , yet without sin.	James 1:13 ¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.

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The Temptation of Jesus

Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness



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1. “If You are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread”
 - *Analysis: It was a temptation to distrust God’s love and care by taking matters into His own hands in light of His difficult circumstances*
 - *Jesus’ response: Deuteronomy 8:3*

Deuteronomy 8:3³“He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that He might make you understand that **man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD.**”

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2. “Worship me and take possession of all the kingdoms of the world and their glory now”
 - *Analysis: It was a temptation to distrust the promise and timing of God’s plan in light of current and future suffering and to commit idolatry*
 - *Jesus’ response: Deuteronomy 6:13*

Deuteronomy 6:13 ¹³“You shall fear *only* the LORD your God; and you shall worship Him and swear by His name.

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Deuteronomy 6:16¹⁶“You shall not put the LORD your God to the test, as you tested *Him* at Massah.

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- No one is to test God by attempting to dictate the circumstances and timeline for Him to prove His faithfulness
- Biblical faith trusts in the character, timing, and plans of God in full submission

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Satan continued to tempt Jesus during His life (v13)

Closing Thoughts

Jesus is perfect!

Recognize that Satan uses the same tactics today to tempt believers as he did with Christ

We must follow Christ's example in responding to temptations with biblical truth