

# the Wonder of Christmas

unexpected grace through unlikely means

12.05.21

## THE SCANDALOUS CHRISTMAS TREE MATTHEW 1:1-21 PASTOR JOSHUA BROOKS

### Sin & Scandal in the Family Tree of Jesus (1:1-17)

#### 1) The “bad” guys

- Rehoboam (v7) - Instituted \_\_\_\_\_
- Jehoram (v8) - Did \_\_\_\_\_ in the eyes of the Lord
- Ahaz (v9) - Child \_\_\_\_\_
- Manasseh (v10) - Practiced \_\_\_\_\_
- Amon (v10) - Committed \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2) The “good” guys

- Abraham - Pawned off his \_\_\_\_\_ as his sister to protect himself
- Isaac - Played \_\_\_\_\_ with his own children
- Jacob - Was a \_\_\_\_\_, a cheater and a swindler
- David - Committed adultery and \_\_\_\_\_
- Solomon - Took hundreds of wives, and carried Israel into \_\_\_\_\_ worship

#### 3) The “scandalous” additions to the genealogy

- \_\_\_\_\_ - Sexual Infidelity (via Judah)
- \_\_\_\_\_ - Canaanite Prostitute
- \_\_\_\_\_ - Moabitess (the arch enemy of Israel)
- \_\_\_\_\_ - Adultery & Murder (via David)

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## The Gospel in the Christmas Story

“She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will \_\_\_\_\_ his people from their sins.” (Matthew 1:21)

→ God loved us so much, He was willing to \_\_\_\_\_ into our sin-stained mess (1:1-17). His love went deeper in that He was willing to \_\_\_\_\_ us from our sin-stained mess (1:21).

## What happens to our sins when God forgives us?

- “As far as the east is from the west, so far has He \_\_\_\_\_ our sins from us.” (Ps 103:12)
- “You have put all my sins \_\_\_\_\_ Your back.” (Isaiah 38:17)
- “I am He who \_\_\_\_\_ out your sins, and remembers them no more.” (Isaiah 43:25)
- “I have \_\_\_\_\_ away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist.” (Isaiah 44:22)
- “I will forgive their wickedness and will \_\_\_\_\_ their sins no more.” (Jeremiah 31:34)

## Next Steps

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Christ’s redemption
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ yourself of Christ’s forgiveness
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ your gratitude for Christ coming for you

## PRAYER REQUEST

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## YOUR NEXT STEP

- I AM PUTTING MY TRUST IN JESUS AS MY LORD AND SAVIOR
- I AM INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED
- I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A MINISTRY TEAM

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