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# **PRAYER MINISTRY**

What are the 4 views of  
God's process of creation?

# TACKLING TOUGH QUESTIONS

...And should science or  
scripture hold the most weight?  
**January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm**



# Overcoming the Curse Upon the House of David

# Review of the Waiting for the First Advent

Sin and the curse enter the world and the Messiah, who would strike the serpent, is first prophesied

The messianic line is narrowed to the 'seed' of Abraham

He'll be a king from the line of Judah (the 4<sup>th</sup> son of Israel)

He'll be a prophet like Moses (though Moses is from Levi's tribe)

He'll be the Son of David and a priest from Melchizedek's order

The waiting for the 1<sup>st</sup> advent continued...

About 250  
Years Pass

**Isaiah 7:14 (NIV<sub>2011</sub>)** Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The **virgin will conceive** and give birth to a son, and will call him **Immanuel**.

**Micah 5:2 (HCSB)** **Bethlehem** Ephrathah, you are small among the clans of Judah; One will come from you to be ruler over Israel for Me. His origin is from antiquity, **from eternity**.

**Isaiah 9:6 (NKJV)** For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a **Son** is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, **Counselor**, Mighty God, **Everlasting Father**, Prince of Peace.

## **Isaiah 52 and 53**

When thinking of the promised baby in the manger, do you remember the grown man, Jesus, on the cross for you?

**About 135  
years pass...**

**With a Major Dilemma:  
The Curse of Coniah/  
Jeconiah/ Jehoiachin**

**Jeremiah 22:28-30 (ESV)** <sup>28</sup> Is this man Coniah a despised, broken pot, a vessel no one cares for? Why are he and his children hurled and cast into a land that they do not know? <sup>29</sup> O land, land, land, hear the word of the LORD! <sup>30</sup> Thus says the LORD: "Write this man down as childless, a man who shall not succeed in his days, for none of his offspring shall succeed in sitting on the throne of David and ruling again in Judah."

*Coniah AKA Jeconiah AKA Jehoiachin was the 19<sup>th</sup> king of Judah. He was exiled to Babylon and his authority was stripped from him.*

*What about God's promise through Jacob's blessing that the scepter will not depart from Judah until it comes to Him to whom it belongs? How will the line of the Messiah escape this curse?*

**When things look hopeless and the enemy is pushing you toward despair, do you still trust in the Lord?**



About 600  
Years Later

**Matthew 1:6 (NASB<sub>1995</sub>)** Jesse was the father of David the king. David was **the father of Solomon** by Bathsheba who had been the wife of Uriah.

**Matthew 1:12 (NASB<sub>1995</sub>)** After the deportation to Babylon: Jeconiah

**Are you free of Adam's curse by the blood of Jesus Christ?**

**Matthew 1:16 (NASB<sub>1995</sub>)** **Jacob was the father of Joseph** the husband of Mary, by whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

**Luke 3:23 (NKJV)** Now Jesus Himself began *His ministry at* **about thirty years of age**, being **(as was supposed)** *the son of Joseph, the son of Heli,*

**Luke 3:31 (NKJV)** *the son of Melea, the son of Menan, the son of*

*Mattathah, the son of Nathan, the son of David.*

*David's line through Solomon ends up with the curse on Jeconiah.*

**Note Joseph's Father.**

*God's plan cannot be stopped!*

*Jesus' human bloodline is ONLY through Mary and her genealogy is through Nathan.*

*"Held by custom" or "reckoned as by law" are other ways to render nomizo (νομίζω) pointing to Mary's genealogy.*