



***Luke 1: 26** In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee,

The different focus of the Gospels

Matthew: **Jesus is King (His earthly royalty)**, So the Genealogy goes back through Solomon, David all the way to Abraham.

Mark: **Jesus is the Suffering Servant.** There's no genealogy, the gospel starts with Jesus obediently being baptized by his cousin John.

Luke: **Jesus is the son of man (His humanity)** The genealogy traces all the back to Adam through Mary's bloodline.

John: **Jesus is the son of God (His Divinity & His heavenly royalty)** The genealogy is found in the creation. In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word is God. (**John Chapter 1**)

***Luke 1:30** The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God.

***Luke 1:31** You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.

***Luke 1:32** He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David,

***Luke 1:35** The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and **the power of the Most High will overshadow you.** So, the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

"Pregnant with God or the Mother of Messiah"



1. **This fulfills** the prophecy of **Isaiah 7:14** the virgin will be with child.

2. **The answer** to David's prayer **Psalm 69:13** But I pray to you, LORD, in the time of your **favor**; in your great love, O God, answer me with your sure salvation.
3. **The solution** to the fall of humanity in the Garden. **Genesis 3:15**

***Genesis 3:15** (Berean Bible) And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed. He (Jesus) will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

4. **This completes** the presence of God to humanity **Exodus 40:35**
5. **It extends the promise** to the new testament from **Isaiah 9:7** He will reign from David's throne.

“The Witness & the Challenge”

***Luke 1:37 For no word from God will ever fail."**

The Greek: No **utterance** from God will ever fail.

***Luke 1:44 (Elizabeth)** As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy.

1. **John the Baptist the transitional man** of God. In the order of Old Testament prophet and yet he is also the beginning of the Way. (His declaration was, make way for the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world)
2. **The Challenge** for all who will follow Jesus is revealed through John's life and death.

***Matthew 11:3** Ask him, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?"

How could John the one filled with the Holy Spirit while still in the womb have such a question of Jesus?

1. Jesus says, tell John the deaf hear, the blind sees, the lame walk.
2. The dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor.

***Matthew 11:6** Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me."