Christmas: Christ in the Mess of Us

Matthew 1:1-17

A Genealogy, Really?:

Matthew 1:1-17 / 2 Timothy 3:16 / Matthew 13:52

- > All scripture is **FROM GOD**, and is **USEFUL**.
- > Scripture has **LAYERS**. (Like Onions & Ogres. Or Star Wars.)

Old Treasures (on the surface)

Matthew 1:1

> Jesus is the Messiah, Son of David, Son of Abraham

New Treasures (deeper layers)

Genesis 38 / Joshua 2 / Ruth / 2 Samuel 11-12 / Daniel 9:20-24

- 1. The **CHARACTERS** in the genealogy
- 2. Gematria Go #14!

Bringing It Home:

- > Jesus' story is the TRUE story of the world.
- ➤ God can use **ANYONE** and **EVERYONE** in His story.
- > Jesus' hand is on **HISTORY** and **YOUR STORY**.