

The Two Genealogies of Jesus Christ

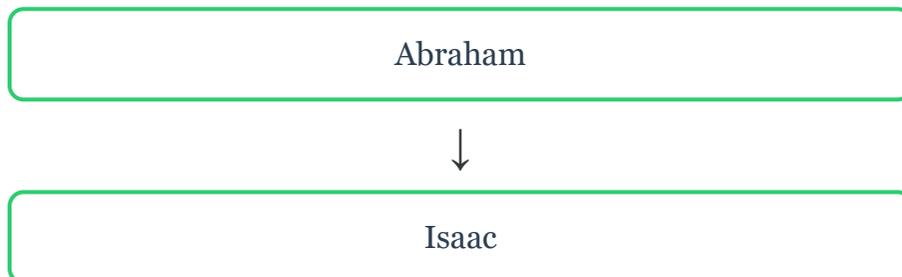
According to Matthew and Luke - Traditional Catholic Interpretation

- Common to Both (Abraham to David)
- Matthew's Line (through Solomon)
- Luke's Line (through Nathan)
- Key Connections

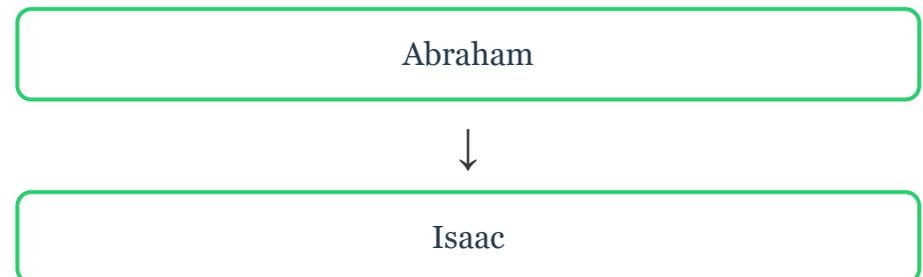
Key Understanding:

Matthew traces Jesus through **St. Joseph's father Jacob** and **Mary's mother St. Anne** (Solomon's royal line)
Luke traces Jesus through **Mary's father St. Joachim/Heli** (Nathan's priestly line)
Both lines unite in **King David** and converge again through the marriage of **St. Anne and St. Joachim**

MATTHEW 1:1-17
Royal Line through Solomon



LUKE 3:23-38
Priestly Line through Nathan





Jacob



Judah



Perez



Hezron



Ram



Amminadab



Nahshon



Jacob



Judah



Perez



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Amminadab



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Salmon



Boaz



Obed



Jesse



👑 KING DAVID 👑



SOLOMON (David's son - Royal Line)



Rehoboam



Abijah

Salmon



Boaz



Obed



Jesse



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NATHAN (David's son - Priestly Line)



Mattatha



Menna



Asa



[14 generations total]



Zerubbabel



Matthan



JACOB
(Father of Joseph)
(Brother of St. Anne)



ST. JOSEPH
(Husband of Mary)
(Legal father of Jesus)



Melea



[Different names - longer list]



Mattat



Mathat



HELI / JOACHIM
(Father of Mary)
(Husband of St. Anne)



BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
(Mother of Jesus)
(Wife of Joseph)

THE CONVERGENCE: How the Lines Unite

The Family Connection

Matthan (from Solomon's line) had two branches:

- **Jacob** → Father of St. Joseph
- **St. Anne** (Jacob's sister) → Mother of Mary

St. Anne married St. Joachim/Heli (from Nathan's line)

Together they had: **The Blessed Virgin Mary**

Mary's Double Davidic Heritage

Through her Mother (St. Anne):

David → Solomon → ... → Matthan → St. Anne → Mary

Through her Father (St. Joachim):

David → Nathan → ... → Mathat → Heli/Joachim → Mary

Mary carries both the ROYAL line (Solomon) and the PRIESTLY line (Nathan)!

† JESUS CHRIST †

Son of David through both Royal and Priestly Lines

Born of the Virgin Mary, Foster Son of Joseph

Summary of the Harmonization:

- **Matthew** records Mary's genealogy through her *mother* St. Anne (connected to Joseph's line through Jacob)
- **Luke** records Mary's genealogy through her *father* St. Joachim/Heli
- Both genealogies are **historically accurate** - they simply trace different branches of David's family
- The lines **diverge at David's sons** (Solomon vs. Nathan) but **converge through marriage** (St. Anne & St. Joachim)
- Jesus is truly the **Son of David** through both parents of Mary, fulfilling all prophecies
- Luke calls Joseph "son of Heli" because he was Heli's **son-in-law** (married to his daughter Mary)

Based on the traditional Catholic interpretation from Cornelius a Lapide and the Kolbe Center article