

Sermon Discussion Guide

December 1, 2019

Matthew 1:1-17

Responses & Reactions

- What disturbed you, challenged you, or intrigued you in this week's message?

Digging Deeper

- Read through the genealogy of Matthew 1 and notice the women mentioned. Women would not normally be included in a genealogy of this era. Why do you think these specific women were included?
- What do you think are the clearest differences between the David's Kingdom and Jesus' Kingdom?

Bringing it Home

- Does Christmas feel like a celebration of the kind of kingdom Jesus inaugurated?
 - If so, how? If not, why not? What might you consider changing in your holiday patterns to reflect Jesus' kingdom more fully?
- Consider the faith God had in humanity to offer the new king as an infant. That faith continues today in that Jesus left the work of his kingdom in our hands. How does God's faith in us impact how you understand our calling to live as ambassadors of Jesus' kingdom?