

# Bereans Bible Institute

## Module X – The Kingdom of God

### Lesson 13 – The ‘Seed’ Announced in the Birth Narratives

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- I. New Testament announced the ‘Seed’ of the Abrahamic & Davidic Covenants.
- A. Matthew 1:1 Jesus Christ, Son of David, Son of Abraham
    - 1. Psalm 89:4 David’s ‘Seed’ (permanent Throne of David)
    - 2. Gen. 13:15 Abraham’s ‘Seed’ (permanent Land inheritance)
  - B. Matthew & Luke differ on genealogical line of descent
    - 1. Matthew traces genealogy from Abraham, David, Solomon (royal line) to Joseph
      - a. Jer. 22 Jechoniah’s descendants ‘cursed’ @ Babylonian exile.
    - 2. Luke traces genealogy from Adam, Abraham, David, Nathan (physical line) to Mary’s father – Heli.
  - C. Luke 1 immediately refers to the Kingdom.
    - 1. Luke 1:26-33 Announces that Mary’s Son will fulfill Isaiah 9:6-7
      - a. Throne of David (David ruled over all Israel)
      - b. House of Jacob (includes all 12 tribes)
      - c. The Son of the Highest – deity (Psalm 2)
    - 2. Terminology about the Messiah (Seed) anticipated by Israel
    - 3. Miraculous conception announced to Mary (vs. 35).
      - a. The “power of the Highest” and “holy Breath” – parallelism.
      - b. Isaiah 53:8 “Who shall explain His generation?”
    - 4. Mary visits Elizabeth (Luke 1:39-56)
      - a. Elizabeth prophesies: refers to Mary’s baby as “my Lord” (v. 43)
      - b. Mary prophesies: covenant Kingdom promises (vs. 46-55)
        - 1. Vss. 51-53 drawn from Hanna’s prayer (1 Sam. 2:1-10)
        - 2. Vss. 54-55 refers to the promise of the Abrahamic ‘Seed’
      - c. Zecharias prophesies: (vss. 67-79)
        - 1. Vs. 68 “visited” refers to fulfilled covenant promises.
        - 2. Vs. 69 “a horn” metaphor for a king (Daniel 7 & 8)
        - 3. Vs. 70 references the main message of all the prophets (Kingdom)
        - 4. Vs. 71-75 “Holy Covenant” is “oath spoken to Abraham” (Gen. 22)
          - a. Heb. 6:11-19 refers to this “oath.”
          - b. “saved from our enemies” refers to the oath of Gen. 22.
        - 5. Vs. 76 “go before the face of the Lord” (Mal. 3:1), who is “the Messenger of the Covenant” (Angel of the Lord).
        - 6. Vs. 77 to give knowledge of salvation by “remission of sins” (from Jer. 31:31-34 prophesy of the New Covenant).
        - 7. Vs. 78 “Dayspring” (rising sun) refers to the “Sun of Righteousness” on the Day of the Lord (Mal. 4) – a Kingdom promise.
          - a. 2 Pet. 1:19 “until the Day dawns”
        - 8. Vs. 79 “give light” (knowledge of God) quoting directly from Isaiah 9:2
          - a. Psalm 107:10 connects “shadow of death” with sin’s penalty
          - b. The “way of peace” is the Kingdom age (peace on earth).