

# Matthew 1:6a

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*Matthew completes his first major section of the genealogy with King David.*

The parallel account of this genealogical record is found in Luke 3:32.

Matthew now completes his first major section within Jesus' genealogy from *Abraham* to *David the king*. Obed was the father of *Jesse*, who was *the father of David the king*. Matthew associates *Jesus* with being the fulfillment of God's promise to *Abraham* to bless all the nations of the earth (Genesis 12:3). Matthew will establish Jesus as being in David's royal line and heir to the throne of *David* the long-awaited *king* of Israel and the Messiah, or anointed one. The *Messiah* was expected to ascend to the throne of *David the king*, based on God's promise that someone from his line would sit on his throne forever (2 Samuel 7:13). Matthew presents *Jesus* as the fulfillment of that promise. A significant theme in the New Testament is that people missed Jesus as the *Messiah* because He did not fit their political expectations.

## **Biblical Text**

<sup>6a</sup> **Jesse was the father of David the king.**