



Placing Jesus in Context

Luke 3:23-38

Sermon Study Notes

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God...and is *profitable*.

This text is like a parade of the characters of Scripture mixed with the providence of God and how He has worked in the history of redemption to save us.

Luke wants you to know who Jesus is so you might believe and receive Him. **Context is everything!**

Luke wants you to know who Jesus is so you might trust and obey Him.

The genealogies of Matthew and Luke vary significantly.

1. They approach it from a different perspective.
2. They mention different people.
3. They have a different purpose.
4. They employ different placement.
5. They use a different progression.

Luke's genealogy teaches us very specific details.

1. Jesus is born of a virgin.
2. Jesus is born into a history that is confusing, chaotic, and controlled.

I. Genealogies remind us who we are.

- A. We share a common ancestry.
- B. We share a common affliction.

Though Jesus was sinless, He came from a long line of sinners.

- C. We share a common annihilation.

"If you have not something better than your own goodness, you will never get to heaven." - *Charles Haddon Spurgeon*

From the very beginning, God promised to send this long and fallen line of sinners a Savior.

II. Genealogies reveal to us who Jesus is.

- A. Jesus is the second Adam.
- B. Jesus is the seed of Abraham.
- C. Jesus is the Savior of the world.

"Jesus does not rejoice in sinners. It is not sin He loves nor sinners as sinners. What He rejoices in is the rescue of sinners from their sin." - *B.B. Warfield*

"In salvation, we do our part and God does His part. We do the sinning, and God does the saving." - *H.B. Charles Jr.*

- D. Jesus is the Son of God.

Jesus was born to reverse the curse.

Jesus was born to restore communion with the Father.

Jesus was born to redeem God's children.