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Suggested Icebreaker:
Ask each GG member to construct a family tree up to the generation of their grandparents. Was everyone able to do so? What are the reasons why they were or weren't able to do so?

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Suggested songs:

- [How Great Is Your Love](#)
- [Jesus Messiah](#)

WORD & WALK:

Understanding & Applying the Word

LESSON AIM

1. GG members will wait on God's perfect timing in their lives.
2. GG members will trust in God's promises.
3. GG members will share the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to others.

INTRODUCTION

The Bible contains many genealogies. Many people do not see the relevance of tracing one's ancestry, and when they come across genealogies in the Bible, they simply skip through them. God is the author of the Bible. All His words are relevant to us and have meaning. He placed these lists there for a purpose. Let us see what we can learn from the genealogy of Jesus Christ.

Jesus began His ministry when He was about thirty years old (v. 23a)

In Jewish society, one's ministry started when one reaches thirty years of age. In Greek society during the time of Jesus, men also started working in public service when they hit thirty years old. We recall that when Jesus was twelve years old, He remained in the temple when His parents left Jerusalem. At an early age, Jesus knew His calling, but there is a proper time for everything. So, He was obedient to His parents and stayed with them for 18 years before beginning His ministry.

1. In Genesis 41:46, how old was Joseph when he started serving Pharaoh as "prime minister" of Egypt?
2. In Numbers 4:1-3, according to God's command, at what age should Levites start serving?
3. In Ezekiel 1:1, how old was Ezekiel when God revealed Himself to him and made him a prophet?

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4. In 2 Samuel 5:4, how old was David when he began ruling as king?
5. Why do you think Jesus began His ministry at thirty years of age when He could have done so at an earlier age?

Application

What are some things that you are waiting on God for? How do you strike the balance between actively working toward it while waiting for God's perfect timing?

Jesus is both God and man (vv. 23b-37)

Jesus is unique from the rest of humanity in many different ways. For one, He alone is without sin. In Luke's version of Christ's genealogy, we see that Jesus has His origins both from God and humanity. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit, and therefore has God as His Father, and was born of the virgin Mary, and so He shares in our humanity. Jesus alone is fully God and fully man. God made it so in order to fulfill His promises.

1. Why did Luke mention that Jesus was "supposedly" the son of Joseph? Take note of Matthew's genealogy of Christ in Matthew 1:1-17. Why do you think the two are not the same?
2. How does Jesus fulfill God's promise as the descendant king of King David in 2 Samuel 7:12-16, Jeremiah 23:5-6, and Jeremiah 33:14-16?
3. How does Jesus fulfill God's promise to Abraham of becoming a blessing to the whole earth in Genesis 18:18 and 22:17-18?
4. How did Jesus identify with humanity - descendants of Adam - according to Philippians 2:5-7 and Hebrews 4:15?
5. How does Jesus, being the Son of God, fulfill God's promises in Psalm 2:7, 12, Isaiah 7:14, and Micah 5:2?

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Application

Christ's genealogy shows how God fulfilled His promises through Jesus. God is faithful and fulfills all His promises. What promise(s) of God are you clinging on to right now or how have you seen God fulfill His promises in the past?

Jesus is the redeemer of all humanity (v. 38)

Matthew's genealogy of Jesus began with Abraham, linking Jesus to the Israelite nation. Luke's genealogy, however, goes all the way back to Adam, linking Jesus to all of humanity. Jesus came not only to save and redeem the Jews, but the Gentiles as well. This is one of the key messages we see in the gospel of Luke.

1. To whom is God's salvation offered, according to Luke 2:30-32?
2. What was the purpose of Jesus coming to earth for the first time, according to Galatians 4:4-5?
3. Because Jesus was fully human, what was He able to do for humanity? (cf. Hebrews 2:14-18; 1 Timothy 2:5)
4. Why is Jesus the only acceptable sacrifice for sin? (cf. Hebrews 9:13-14; 10:4-7, 11-12)

Application

Have you received the salvation from sin offered by God through Jesus Christ? If so, how can you share the good news of salvation with others around you? If not, what is holding you back from doing so?

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PRAYER ITEM

Praise and thank God for the gift of His promised Son, Jesus Christ, through whom we have received salvation from sin and death. Ask God to make you sensitive to opportunities to share the good news of salvation with people whom God has placed in your life.



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