

Study Notes and Questions for Matthew Chapter One

- Explain why the genealogy that Matthew records is important to have.
- Why does the mention of Jeconiah in the genealogy confirm for us that this is Joseph's family line?
- What else in this passage confirms that Joseph was a descendent of King David?
- How did Joseph respond to the knowledge that Mary was pregnant?
- How does Joseph's response confirm that he was a righteous man?
- Why was the plan of God for Mary a potentially dangerous one?
- What does the name Jesus mean and why was it one that was appropriate for Jesus?
- In **verse 21** how did the angel describe the purpose of Messiah?
- What Old Testament passage is quoted in **verse 23** and why is it important?
- What do you find most noteworthy and honorable by Joseph and Mary's behavior?