

“Boring Genealogies” Introduction to Matthew; Matthew 1:1-11

There are three ways in which believers reject biblical truth:

1. Refusing to hear the teaching of the Word of God on a consistent basis.
2. Hearing the teaching of the Word but refusing to meditate on it and failing to convert academic knowledge into applicable wisdom.
3. Processing the Word so that it exists in one’s stream of consciousness but being distracted so, it becomes unusable and forgotten.

But we must remember that even these believers must be treated in grace; we should not argue with irrational people and I’m not suggesting that we keep company with them, sometimes we just have to unconditionally love them from a distance.

Self-centered arrogance is a gross confusion in the mind which matches the confusion of a life without Bible doctrine being applied to it.

In the Gospels, we have four people reporting on the same events and that means that if these are honest accounts, they’ll each come up with a different emphasis.

The Jew is the only race in the history of the world that has a foundation based upon regeneration which by the way, eventually worked into natural generation.

Many people are bored with genealogies but one of the fascinating things about this genealogy is how often the grace of God is emphasized in the family members mentioned!

Who and what we are as believers NEVER depends on who and what we are as people, it depends on who and what God is; always!

Everything that we have and everything that we will ever be of any value on this earth is strictly due to the grace of God, period.

Religion is the greatest enemy of the truth because it’s man seeking to gain the attention of God by his own works and by his own merits.

If someone enters the world by means of a virgin conception, they are minus a genetically-reproduced sinful nature and minus the imputation of Adam’s original sin and therefore, qualified at the point of birth to be our Redeemer!

Knowing, believing and applying *Romans 8:28* becomes a fantastic proposition and a very important principle in orientation to the grace of God is to know that the most awful things that happen to us can and will work together for our good.