The Birth of Jesus Christ Was Necessary.

Subject: The linage

Mathew 1:1

- I. The linage of Jesus the Christ. The need for our Saviour.
 - A. In the first 17 verses of this chapter, we learn of The Genealogy of Jesus Christ or the history of Jesus's mother's heritage. Her linage or descendants links back to Seth whom God appointed as the linage that Jesus would be born too.
 - B. Genesis 4:25 "And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, <u>hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel</u>, whom Cain slew." It is this linage that all these godly people in the first 17 verses came though that are in the linage of Mary.
 - C. This can be called the linage of the "second Adam" which was the redeemer of a remnant from the fall of the first Adam.
 - The first Adam brought sin and death to the entire population of the world. 1
 Timothy 2:13 "For Adam was first formed, then Eve." Adam from the dust of
 the ground and Eve from one of his ribs. However, even though Eve sinned
 first it is Adam's sin that that is the linage of sin. Romans 5:12 "Wherefore, as
 by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed
 upon all men, for that all have sinned:"
 - Therefore, through Adam, God ruled that every single soul born are born sinners. Cain was a prime example of what the world is, sinners against God.
 - b. Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"
 - 2. The necessity of the Saviour was without question. But the Saviour must be special.
 - a. God Jesus Christ the last Adam, **1 Corinthians 15:45** "*And so it is* written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; <u>the last Adam</u> <u>was made a quickening spirit</u>."
 - b. "*a quickening spirit*." Means a life giving spirit, to quicken those that are dead in the first Adam. Strongs defines it as spirit that makes one

alive, gives life, or quicken the dead. Ephesians 2:1 "<u>And you hath he</u> <u>quickened</u>, who were dead in trespasses and sins;"

- c. We are quickened and moved from corruptible to incorruption, from mortal to immortality. 1 Corinthians 15:53 54 "For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. (54) So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory."
- d. The words "corruptible" means decayed, which is perishable, to "incorruption" which means unending existence; (figuratively) genuineness – "Mortal" means liable to die – "immortality" means deathlessness. Which is only possible through Jesus Christ.
- e. Why Jesus Christ, why is it only possible through Jesus Christ? It is because of who He is, God's seed, God's Son, God's chosen Redeemer. **1 John 5:9-13** "*If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son. He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.*"
- D. This is the linage that God promised was the seed of the woman. Gen 3:15 "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."
 - This is known as the "first gospel" the first promise of God that there would be a war in this world between the seeds of Eve. Evil in Cain, and good in Seth. Evil slew good. Genesis 4:8 "And Cain talked with Abel his brother:

and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him."

- a. Remember the two sons of Eve were Cain and Able, Evil verses good and evil slew good. Evil in Cain, and good in Seth. Evil slew good. Genesis
 4:8 "And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him." Why? Because God created one good and one evil. It was Satan against God.
- b. We also see this example in Abraham and Sarah, Rom 9:13 "As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated." Here we see the two seeds again good verses evil. God loved one and not the other. Why, because of election. Romans 9:11 "(For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)"
- c. The heritage started with the seed of Eve, continued in Sarah all the way to Mary the mother of Jesus the Son of man.
- Jesus the Son of Mary is of the linage of Seth in which we see in Matt.
 1:1 "The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham." This is the linage which we were promised in Gen. 3:15 the seed of the woman.
- 3. Not only was He the seed of the woman, He was also the seed of God. John 1:1-4 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men."
- 4. God's purpose in this was to crush evil and the head of the serpent. Revelation 20:7-10 "And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the

beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever."

5. This is everything God had promised in Gen. 3:15 This was the necessity of the Saviour. Only God could crush the Serpents head.