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John 19:26-27

- When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!"
- Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.
NKJV
- "The curious feature mentioning these women in this genealogy ... is to disarm Jewish criticism about the unusual virgin birth of Jesus by showing that irregular unions were divinely blessed in the Messiah's legal ancestry."
Liberty Baptist Commentary

Tamar—A Prostitute, Gen 38 **Gen 38:24**

- 24 And it came to pass, about three months after, that Judah was told, saying, "Tamar your daughter-in-law has played the harlot; furthermore she is with child by harlotry." So Judah said, "Bring her out and let her be burned!" NKJV
Tamar
- Mother of two illegitimate sons (Pharez and Zerah) by Judah
- Determination was her drive and passion

Rahab—A Prostitute, **Joshua 6:25**

- 25 And Joshua spared Rahab the harlot, her father's household, and all that she had. So she dwells in Israel to this day, because she hid the messengers whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho. NKJV

Rahab

- Converted Prostitute

- Diligent to come under the protection of God.

- **Mother of Boaz**

Ruth—A Foreigner

Ruth 4:9-10, 13

- 9 And Boaz said to the elders and all the people, "You are witnesses this day that I have bought all that was Elimelech's, and all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's, from the hand of Naomi.
- 10 Moreover, Ruth the Moabitess, the widow of Mahlon, I have acquired as my wife, to perpetuate the name of the dead through his inheritance, that the name of the dead may not be cut off from among his brethren and from his position at the gate. You are witnesses this day."
- 13 So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife; and when he went in to her, the LORD gave her conception, and she bore a son. NKJV

Ruth

- A foreigner
- Desire to follow God and her mentor, Naomi.
- Wife of Boaz

Bathsheba—An Adulterer

2 Sam 11:26-12:9-10

- 26 When the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband.
- 27 And when her mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD.

2 Samuel 12:9-10

- 9 Why have you despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in His sight? You have killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword; you have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the people of Ammon.
- 10 Now therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.' NKJV

Bathsheba

- Disappointment produced deliverance.

- Mother of Solomon

Mary—A Virgin Mother

Matthew 1:18-25

- 18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit.
- 19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly.
- 20 But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.
- 21 And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."
- 22 So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying:
- 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."
- 24 Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife,
- 25 and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name JESUS. NKJV

Mary

- Discipline on earth and a delight in Heaven.
- Of whom was born Jesus
Luke 1: 26-37
- 26 Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth,
- 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.
- 28 And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"
- 29 But when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and considered

what manner of greeting this was.

- 30 Then the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.
- 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS.
- 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.
- 33 And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”
- 34 Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?”
- 35 And the angel answered and said to her, “*The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.*
- 36 Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.
- 37 For with God nothing will be impossible.”