**SERMON NOTES**

**Perspectives**

**An Advent Sermon Series**

**“Promises Made, Promises Kept”**

**Matthew 1: 1-25**

**The word \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ means “coming” or the arrival of a certain event.**

**Advent invites us to slow down and take time to prepare our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in order to step into that time of great expectation that is the Christ of Heaven coming to us in human flesh, as an infant.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ perspective shows us two things:**

**(1) Jesus is the promised Savior sent from God to save His people**

 **(2) Jesus has come to save sinners.**

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**The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that were made to David and Abraham are the bedrock and foundation for the people of Israel’s relationship with God.**

**God had promised that through the family of David and the throne of David a king to come would lead God’s people into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**God had promised that He would \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the world through Abraham’s descendants.**

**Matthew wants us to see that the coming of Jesus means that God has not forgotten His words: promises \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are promises \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**The coming of Jesus means the coming of God to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

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**The people that make up the genealogy of Christ in Matthew are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a proud and prestigious group.**

**The family history of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has nothing hidden from us or covered up.**

**The inclusion of women in a Jewish genealogy was not unprecedented but it was very \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is born for the sinner, for the outsider, for anyone who sees their sin and realizes their need for something outside of themselves as their only hope to be saved.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ am** **just the kind of sinner that Jesus came to save.**

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