

Easter Eggs in a Genealogy: David's Royal Line (1 Chronicles 3:1-17)

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1 Chronicles 3:1-17 (my translation for Baker)

3:1 These were the sons of David who were born to him in Hebron: the firstborn (1) Amnon, by Ahinoam the Jezreelite; the second (2), Daniel by Abigail the Carmelite; the third (3) Absalom son of Maacah, daughter of Talmai king of Geshur; the fourth (4) was Adonijah son of Haggith; ³the fifth (5), Shephatiah by Abital; the sixth (6) Ithream by Eglah his wife. ⁴Six were born to him in Hebron and he reigned there seven years and six months.

He reigned thirty-three years in Jerusalem. ⁵These were born to him in Jerusalem: Shimea, Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon, four by Bath-shua (2:3) daughter of Ammiel. ⁶And Ithar, Elishama, Eliphelet, ⁷Nogah, Nepheg, Japhia, ⁸Elishama, Eliada, Eliphelet, nine. ⁹All *these were* the sons of David, besides the sons of the concubines; and Tamar (2:4) was their sister.

¹⁰The son of Solomon was Rehoboam, Abijah was his son, Asa was his son, Jehoshaphat was his son, ¹¹Joram was his son, Ahaziah was his son, Joash was his son, ¹²Amaziah was his son, Azariah was his son, Jotham was his son, ¹³Ahaz was his son, Hezekiah was his son, Manasseh was his son, ¹⁴Amon was his son, Josiah was his son. ¹⁵The sons of Josiah, Johanah the firstborn, the second Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum. ¹⁶The sons of Jehoiakim, Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son. ¹⁷The sons of Jeconiah the captive: Shealtiel his son...

Sources for 1 Chron. 3:1-9

David's sons born in Hebron:

- a) 3:1-3 = 2 Sam 3:2-5 // 3:4 = 2 Sam 5:5.

David's children born in Jerusalem:

- b) 3:5-8 = 2 Sam 5:14-16 // 3:9 based loosely on 2 Sam. 13:1.

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1 Chronicles 2:3 The sons of Judah: Er, Onan, and Shelah; these three the Canaanite woman **Bath-shua** bore to him. Now Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD, and he put him to death. ⁴ His daughter-in-law **Tamar** also bore him Perez and Zerah. Judah had five sons in all (NRSVue).

Table of David's royal dynasty in 1 Chronicles 3, 1-2 Kings, and Matthew 1

	1 Chronicles 3:9-17	1-2 Kings	Matthew 1:6-11	Reign in Chronicles
1	David (3:9)	David	David (1:1, 6)	1 Chron. 11:1-29:30
2	Solomon (3:5, 9)	Solomon	Solomon (1:6)	1 Chron. 29:23-2 Chron. 9:31
3	Rehoboam (3:10)	Rehoboam	Rehoboam (1:7)	2 Chron. 9:31-12:16
4	Abijah (3:10)	Abijam	Abijah (1:7)	2 Chron. 13:1-22
5	Asa (3:10)	Asa	Asaph (1:7)	2 Chron. 14:1-16:14
6	Jehoshaphat (3:10)	Jehoshaphat	Jehoshaphat (1:8)	2 Chron. 17:1-21:1
7	Joram (3:11)	Joram	Joram (1:8)	2 Chron. 21:1-20
8	Ahaziah (3:11)	Ahaziah		2 Chron. 22:1-9
9	Joash (3:11)	Joash		2 Chron. 23:11-24:27
10	Amaziah (3:12)	Amaziah		2 Chron. 25:1-28
11	Azariah (3:12)	Azariah/Uzziah	Uzziah (1:8)	2 Chron. 26:1-23
12	Jotham (3:12)	Jotham	Jotham (1:9)	2 Chron. 27:1-9
13	Ahaz (3:13)	Ahaz	Ahaz (1:9)	2 Chron. 28:1-27
14	Hezekiah (3:13)	Hezekiah	Hezekiah (1:9)	2 Chron. 29:1-32:33
15	Manasseh (3:13)	Manasseh	Manasseh (1:10)	2 Chron. 33:1-20
16	Amon (3:14)	Amon	Amos (1:10)	2 Chron. 33:21-25
17	Josiah (3:14, 15)	Josiah	Josiah (1:10)	2 Chron. 34:1-35:27
18	Shallum (3:15)	Jehoahaz		2 Chron. 36:1-4
19	Jehoiakim (3:15, 16)	Jehoiakim		2 Chron. 36:5-8
20	Jechoniah (3:16, 17)	Jehoaichin	Jechoniah (1:11)	2 Chron. 36:9-10
21	Zedekiah (3:15)	Zedekiah		2 Chron. 36:11-13

Matthew 1:1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham
² Abraham was the father of Isaac,
and Isaac the father of Jacob,
and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,
³ and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by **Tamar**,
and Perez the father of Hezron,
and Hezron the father of Ram,
⁴ and Ram the father of Amminadab,
and Amminadab the father of Nahshon,
and Nahshon the father of Salmon,
⁵ and Salmon the father of Boaz by **Rahab**,
and Boaz the father of Obed by **Ruth**,
and Obed the father of Jesse,
⁶ and Jesse the father of David the king.
And David was the father of Solomon by **the wife of Uriah**,
⁷ and Solomon the father of Rehoboam...(ESV).