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A Surprising Family History

Matthew 1:1–16

An account of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham...

Judah fathered Perez and Zerah by **Tamar**...

Salmon fathered Boaz by **Rahab**...

Boaz fathered Obed by **Ruth**...

David fathered Solomon by **Uriah's wife**...



Surprise because...

1. Women not included in Jewish/biblical genealogies
2. These women's peculiar stories
3. These women are all foreigners

Not-so-surprising takeaways

1. About the inclusion of women
2. About the imperfections and stigmas
3. About the “Gentleness” of the women



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