**The Scandalous Past**

**Text**: Matthew 1: 1-17

**Big Idea**: Contemplating Jesus’ genealogy filled with scandals & scoundrels helps us see our own life’s stories in light of God’s grace.

**I. The s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of starting with Jesus’ genealogy** *1:1*

A) Jesus’ genealogy communicates his h\_\_\_\_\_\_ h\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

B) Jesus’ genealogy connects him w/ historic p\_\_\_\_\_ & p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 *Psalm 89:29; 1Chronicles 17:11-12; Genesis 18:18*

**II. The s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ found in Jesus’ genealogy**

A) The unsatisfactory p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *2-4*

B) The ungodly k\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *5-11*

C) The unmentionable w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Tamar *3*

2. Rahab *5a*

3. Ruth *5b*

4. Bathsheba *6*

5. Mary *16b*

D) The unmarried p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *16b*

**III. The spiritual & social s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus’ genealogy** *11-17*

A) Israel’s exile marks their f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

B) God used Israel’s exile to bring r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *Isaiah 11:1*