

We are part of a family

Reading: Ruth 4:18-22

Here is the family line of Perez.
Perez was the father of Hezron.
Hezron was the father of Ram.
Ram was the father of Amminadab.
Amminadab was the father of Nahshon.
Nahshon was the father of Salmon.
Salmon was the father of Boaz.
Boaz was the father of Obed.
Obed was the father of Jesse.
And Jesse was the father of David.

Thinking about the reading

In the story of Ruth, we have heard that Ruth married Boaz, and they had a son called Obed. Today's reading looks like a list of names. They are the names in Obed's family tree. Boaz was his father. Salmon was his grandfather. Nahshon was his great grandfather, all the way back to Perez. Obed's son is called Jesse, and his grandson is David, who became a very famous king. David is an ancestor of Jesus, he is part of Jesus' family tree! Ruth and Boaz were part of God's big plan to send Jesus to save us.

Reading: John 1:12

Some people did accept him and did believe in his name. He gave them the right to become children of God.

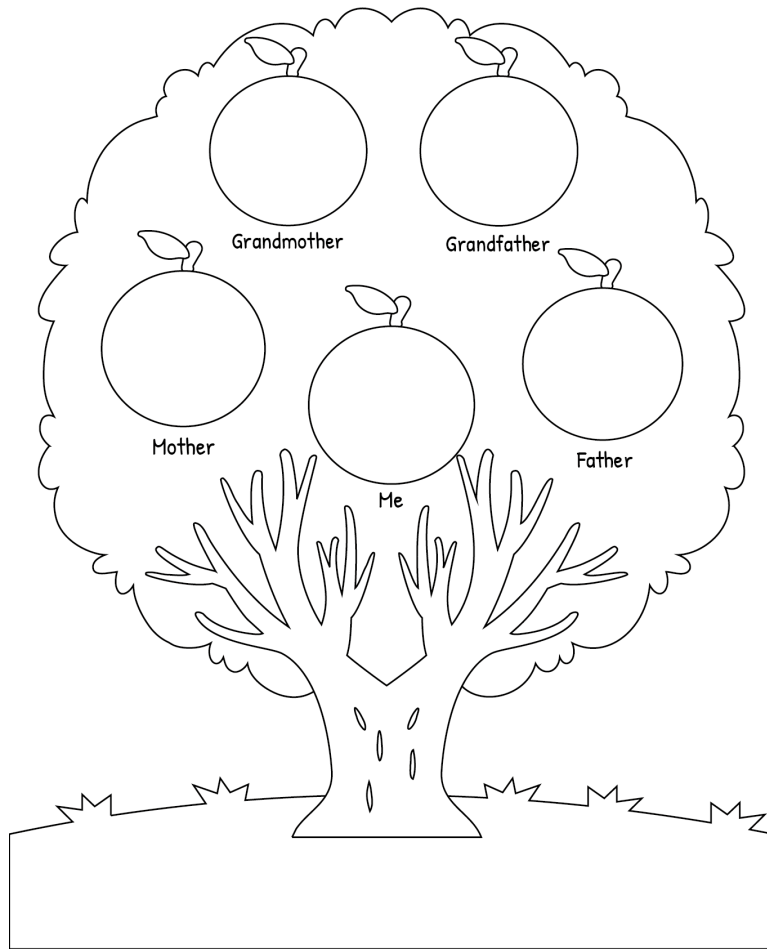
The family of Jesus doesn't stop with David. Anyone who believes in Jesus, who follows him, becomes part of his family. That includes you and me. Our names are added to Jesus' family tree. We are part of God's big story and children of God.

Prayer

Thank you Jesus that you have made us children of God and part of your family. Thank you that we are part of your story.

Amen.

MY FAMILY TREE



Draw pictures of the people who are part of your family tree.

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