



THE HOLY GOSPEL OF IESVS CHRIST ACCOR- DING TO MATTHEW.

CHAP. I.

*The pedigree of Iesum, to shew that he is Christ, promised to * Abraham and * Dauid. 12. That he was conceived and borne of a Virgin, as Esay prophesied of him.*

THE FIRST part of this Gospel, of the Infancie of our Sauiour Christ.

Gen. 12.
12.
2. Reg. 7.
Psal. 131.

LUC. 3,
31.

Gen. 21.
25. 29.
38.

1 Par. 2,
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Ruth. 4,
18.

2 Re. 12,
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1 Par. 3,
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4 Reg.
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2. Par.
36.

1 Par. 3.
1 Esd. 3.



1 HE booke of the * generation of IESVS Christ, the sonne of Dauid, the sonne of Abraham.

This Gospel is most solemly sung in holy Church at Martins vpo Christmas day.

As also it is the Gospel of the Cōception and Nativitie of our B. Lady: because here is declared the pedigree of her alio.

2 † * Abraham begat Isaac, And Isaac begat Iacob. And Iacob begat Iudas and his brethren: † And Iudas begat Phares and Zaram ofⁿ Thamar. * And Phares begat Efron. And Efron begat Aram. † And Aram begat Aminadab. And Aminadab begat Naasson. And Naasson begat Salimon. † And Salimon begat Booz of Raab. And Booz begat Obed of Ruth. And Obed begat Iesse. † And Iesse begat Dauid the King.

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7 And * Dauid the King begat Salomon of her that was the vvife of Vrias. † And * Salomon begat Roboam. And Roboam begat Abia. And Abia begat Afa. † And Afa begat Iosaphat. And Iosaphat begat Ioram. And Ioram begat Ozias. † And Ozias begat Ioatham. And Ioatham begat Achaz. And Achaz begat Ezechias. † And Ezechias begat Manasses. And Manasses begat Amon. And Amon begat Iosias. † And Iosias begat Iechonias & his brethren * in the Transmigration of Babylon.

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12 † And after the Transmigration of Babylon, * Iechonias begat Salathiel. * And Salathiel begat Zorobabel. † And Zorobabel begat Abiud. And Abiud begat Eliacim. And Eliacim begat Azor. † And Azor begat Sadoc. And Sadoc begat Achim. † And Achim begat Eliud. † And Eliud begat Eleazar. And Eleazar begat Mathan. And Mathan begat Iacob. † And Iacob

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begat Ioseph the husband of MARI E: of vvhom vvas borne I E S V S, vvhich is called C H R I S T. †

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† Therefore al the generations from Abraham vnto Dauid, 17 fourtene generations. And from Dauid to the Transmigration of Babylon, fourtene generations. And from the Transmigration of Babylon vnto C H R I S T, fourtene generations.

The Gospel vpo Christmas eue. and Vpon S. Iosephs day the 19 of Marche.

† And the generation of C H R I S T vvas in this vvise. 18 When his mother MARI E vvas spoused to Ioseph, before they came together, she vvas found to be vvith childe by the Holy Ghost. † Wherevpon Ioseph, for that he vvas a iust man, 19 & vvould not * put her to open shame: vvas minded secretly to dimisse her. † But as he vvas thus thinking, behold the 20 Angel of our Lord appeared to him in sleepe saying: Ioseph sonne of Dauid, feare not to take MARI E thy vvife. for that vvwhich is borne in her, is of the Holy Ghost. † And she shal 21 bring forth a sonne: and thou shalt call his name I E S V S. For he shal saue his people from their sinnes. † And 22 al this vvas done that it might be fulfilled vvwhich our Lord spake by the Prophet saying. † Behold a Virgin shal be vvith childe, 23 and bring forth a sonne, and they shal call his name Emmanuel, vvwhich being interpreted is, God vvith vs. † And Ioseph rising vp from sleepe, 24 did as the Angel of our Lord comaunded him, and tooke his vvife. † And he knew her not til she brought forth her first 25 borne sonne: and called his name I E S V S.

Deu. 24, 1.

I E S V S an Hebrue Word, in English SAVIOUR.

Esa. 7, 14.

A N N O T A T I O N S

C H A P. I.

9. *Thamar.*] Christ abhorred not to take flesh of some that were ill, as he chose Iudas among his Apostles: Let not vs disdain to receaue our spiritual birth and sustenance of such as be not alwayes good.

16. *Ioseph.*] Ioseph marrying our Lady as neere of kinne (for so was the * law) by his pedigree sheweth hers, and consequently Christs pedigree from Dauid. *Nu. 36.*

18. *Husband.*] True and perfect mariage, and continual liuing in the same, without carnal copulation. *Aug. lib. 2. Confes. Euang. c. 1.*

20. *Borne in her.*] The triple good or perfection of mariage accomplished in the parents of Christ, to wit, Issue, Fidelitic, Sacrament. *Aug. de nup. & conc. li. 1. c. 11.*

Virginitie preferred.

21. *A Virgin.*] Our Sauour borne in mariage, but yet of a Virgin, would honour both states: and withal, teacheth vs agaynst Iouinian the old Heretike and these of our time, that virginitie and the continent life are preferred before mariage that hath carnal copulation. *See S. Hierom. adu. Iouin. and S. Greg. Nazianz. Ser. 20. de studio in pauperes, in initio.*

23. *A Virgin.*] As our Ladie both a virgin and a mother, brought forth Christ the head corporally: so the Church a virgin and a mother, bringeth forth the members of this head spiritually. *Aug. li. de Virg. ca. 2.*

Our B. Ladies perpetual virginitie.

25. *And bring forth.*] The Heretike Iouinian is here refuted, holding that her virginitie was corrupted in bringing forth Christ. *Aug. her. 28. Li. 1. cont. Iouian. c. 2.*

25. *Til,*