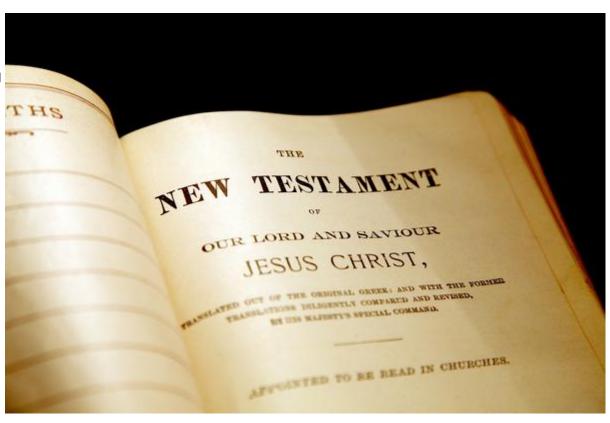
The genealogi es leading to the Messiah, Jesus Christ, are vitally important as supportiv e proofs of his being qualified as God's



What does the New Testament tell us about genealogies?

Messiah (Matthew

1:1-16;

Luke

3:23-38).

So we

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"Stop teaching false doctrine and occupying themselves with myths and endless genealogies. These myths and genealogies raise a lot of questions rather than focusing on God's plan, which centers in faith" (1 Timothy 1:3,4 GWT).

"Avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and arguments and quarrels about the law, because these are unprofitable and useless" (Titus 3:9 NIV)

Apparently some first century Christians were indulging in unscriptural "controversial speculations" (NIV) that included "endless genealogies" (NIV), and "arguments and quarrels". So Christians today can take this as a warning against doing the same things. This doesn't mean that we shouldn't study, discuss, and examine, different interpretations of the scriptures. The warning is actually against "genealogies", petty quarrels and "speculations," that "go beyond what is written in Scripture" (1 Corinthians 4:6 GWT). We should engage in fruitful, productive, discussions of the Bible that lead to wisdom (Acts 17:11; Proverbs 17:17).