

SET 1
PATRIARCHS

SET 2
SOVEREIGN KINGS

SET 3
PUPPET-VASSAL STATE

	Only 14 sovereign kings in the tribe of Judah	None of Jeconiah's sons sat on the throne
1. Abraham	David (vs. 17)	Jeconiah
2. Isaac	Solomon	Shealtiel
3. Jacob	Rehoboam	Zerubbabel
4. Judah	Abijah	Abiud
5. Perez	Asa	Eliakim
6. Hezron	Jehoshaphat	Azor
7. Ram	Joram	Sadoc
8. Amminadab	Uzziah	Achim
9. Nahshon	Jotham	Eliud
10. Salmon	Ahaz	Eleazar
11. Boaz	Hezekiah	Matthan
12. Obed	Manasseh	Jacob
13. Jesse	Amon	Joseph
14. David the King	Josiah (vs.11) ["About" Babylon]	JESUS (God's Son)

All of Josiah's sons and his grandson, Jeconiah (Mat. 1:11, "Jeconiah and his brethren") were vassals to either Egypt or Babylon and not sovereign rulers; thus they do not belong in Matthew's second set.

It should be clear from the preceding paragraph that the curse God placed upon Jehoiakim:

Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah; He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David: and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost (Jer. 36:30).

and upon his son Jeconiah (Coniah = Jehoiachin = Jechoniah)

24 As I live, saith the LORD, though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah were the signet upon my right hand, yet would I pluck thee thence; 25 And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life, and into the hand of them whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans. 26 And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee, into another country, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die. 27 But to the land whereunto they desire to return, thither shall they not return. 28 Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol? is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not? 29 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD. 30 Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man that shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah (Jer. 22:24–30).

was fulfilled and that no contradiction exists, though many so claim, as Jehoiakim's son Jeconiah (Coniah) did not sit on David's sovereign throne but only upon a vassal throne under Nebuchadrezzar of Babylon. Also observe that the above verses do not say Jeconiah was to have no children at all. In fact they speak of his having "seed" and are listed in 1 Chron. 3:16–18 and Mat. 1:12–13. Rather, Jeremiah 22:30 says to count him childless in the sense that none of his offspring would ever sit on the sovereign throne of his ancestor (father) David. This was fulfilled as his successor on the chattel throne to Nebuchadrezzar was his uncle Zedekiah, not his son Shealtiel (Jer. 37:1).

Lastly, it should be noted that this curse on Jeconiah (Coniah) necessitates a miraculous birth for the Messiah as He must somehow come through the kingly line in order to obtain the royal right to David's throne; yet he cannot be a blood descendant of Jeconiah (Coniah). God solves this and other similarly related incongruities through the miracle of the incarnation.