

# Matthew 1:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor;

## Analysis

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These names represent the 'silent years' between the testaments when no prophetic word came to Israel. Yet God was still working, preserving the messianic line through obscure, faithful people. This demonstrates that God's significant work often happens in hiddenness, not in public acclaim.

## Historical Context

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This period represents the post-exilic return to Judah (approximately 539-450 BC) and following centuries. These were times of subjugation under Persian, Greek, and eventually Roman rule.

## Related Passages

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**James 2:17** — Faith and works

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## Study Questions

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1. What does God's preservation of the messianic line through centuries of obscurity teach about His hidden providence?
2. How should this shape our view of faithfulness in seemingly insignificant circumstances?

## Interlinear Text

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Ζοροβάβελ δὲ ἐγένυνησεν τὸν Ἀβιοὺδ Ἀβιοὺδ δὲ

**Zorobabel** **And** **begat** **G3588** **Abiud** **Abiud** **And**  
G2216 G1161 G1080 G10 G10 G1161

ἐγένυνησεν τὸν Ἐλιακεὶμ Ἐλιακεὶμ δὲ ἐγένυνησεν τὸν

**begat** **G3588** **Eliakim** **Eliakim** **And** **begat** **G3588**  
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Ἄζωρ

**Azor**

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