**It Wouldn’t Be Christmas Without…**

**Part 1**

**Why shouldn’t my family dysfunction ruin my Christmas?**

1. **Jesus was born \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

*Abraham was the father of Isaac.*

*Isaac was the father of Jacob.*

*Jacob was the father of Judah and his brothers.*

*Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah (whose mother was Tamar).*

Matthew 1:2-3a (NLT)

1. **And yet Jesus was born \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

*Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary.*

*Mary gave birth to Jesus, who is called the Messiah.*

Matthew 1:16 (NLT)

*As Jesus was speaking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him. Someone told Jesus, “Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, and they want to speak to you.” Jesus asked, “Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?” Then he pointed to his disciples and said, “Look, these are my mother and brothers. Anyone who does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother!”*

Matthew 12:46-50 (NLT)