

# MATTHEW

The goal of our survey of the gospel of Matthew is more than just to cover its contents but to also expose the layout of the book. As we discovered in our lesson on the collaborative Gospels, the main audience for the gospel of Matthew was the \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew the writer – He was both a \_\_\_\_\_ and an \_\_\_\_\_. What's the difference? A disciple is a learner or pupil, an apostle on the other hand is an ambassador with a \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Matthew 10:1-7**

Matthew was a publican before his call to follow Jesus and is often cited as one. A publican was a \_\_\_\_\_ collector. They were hired by the government to assess and collect taxes and they would add a \_\_\_\_\_ to the bill which would be their wage for the job. They were some of the most despised people in the community because often they would add an unfair amount to the bill. The Gospel of Matthew (as well as Mark and Luke) gives us first-hand account of his \_\_\_\_\_. Matthew belonged to the priestly tribe of Levi. Being a tax collector would have spoken deeply about who and what he was in lieu of what he should have been. After getting saved and called he immediately began making an impact.

## **Outline of Matthew**

### **Chapter 1**

#### **v1-17 - The Genealogy of Jesus Christ**

In the genealogy of Jesus, Matthew will show how he by birth right has \_\_\_\_\_ to the throne of David, making him the promised Messiah, as well as being in the line of Abraham, giving him ability to bless all the world.

## **Chapter 2**

**Ch 1:18- Ch 2** – Events surrounding the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ and early years of his life.

Prophecies \_\_\_\_\_ at the birth of Christ:

Virgin birth, place of his birth & being called Emmanuel – Isaiah 7:14

Arrival of the Magi – Micah 5:2

Herod's murderous plans – Jeremiah 3:15

Called out of Egypt – Hosea 11:1

## **Chapter 3**

John the Baptist ministry and the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus

## **Chapter 4**

**V1-11** – The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ

**V12-17** – Jesus begins his \_\_\_\_\_ ministry

**V18-22** The \_\_\_\_\_ of the disciples

**V23-25** Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ begins to increase

## **Chapters 5-7**

### **The \_\_\_\_\_ on the Mount**

This is the first of many of Jesus great teachings from Matthew. The sermon itself is about the “kingdom of Heaven” coming \_\_\_\_\_ men.

**Ch 5:3-12** - Identity of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the kingdom (Beatitudes)

**Ch 5:13-16** – \_\_\_\_\_ and purpose of these subjects on the earth

The impact of the subjects of the kingdom is that they would be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Both fulfilling OT prophecies about Jerusalem's \_\_\_\_\_. Interestingly enough, much of the rest of the sermon shows how that would be accomplished.

**Ch 5:17-20** – First thing that must be established was Jesus relationship to the Mosaic \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus would fulfill the law and promote lawfulness in the land. But he would actually go beyond that and promote a true and \_\_\_\_\_ righteousness. Righteousness is about being in a right relationship with both God and man. His call was for a greater righteousness as you see Old Testament laws expanded, being as much about \_\_\_\_\_ right (internally) as \_\_\_\_\_ right (externally).

**Ch 5:21-26** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 5:27-30** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 5:31-32** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 5:33-37** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 5:38-42** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 5:43-48** Love your \_\_\_\_\_

Then He finishes with what this call to righteous living was all about, making us more \_\_\_\_\_.

## Chapter 6

Exposes A call to true righteousness in \_\_\_\_\_

**Remember:** **Mat 5:20** For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

**v1-4** – Giving of Alms

**v5-15** – Praying

**v16-18** – Fasting

Now he deals with obstacles in the believer staying pure in their religious practices.

**v19-34** Deals with the danger of a believer in becoming out of balance in their desire for money and the worry over not having enough of it.

## Chapter 7

v1-6 True righteousness will also affect our \_\_\_\_\_ with our fellowman.

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**V7-11** – Seek God for the wisdom to \_\_\_\_\_ these things out

**V12** – The \_\_\_\_\_ rule

This is how man \_\_\_\_\_ as to how successfully he is living as he should. Now we encounter the proverbial fork in the road so to speak. With all this teaching on true righteousness, Jesus lets them know that there will be choices to make.

**Ch 7:13-14** – Two \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 7:15-20** – Two \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 7:21-23** – Two \_\_\_\_\_

**Ch 7:24-27** – Two \_\_\_\_\_

## Chapters 8-10

The coming Messiah would perform miracles according to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Isaiah.

Isa 35:5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

Isa 35:6 Then shall the lame *man* leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

These 3 chapters are accounts of many of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ, again proving his Messiahship to the Jews. Sprinkled in with these miracles, especially in chapter 10, are calls to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus. Gods shed grace upon an individual should provoke such a response.

**Chapter 8** - Jesus cleanses a Leper, heals the centurions servant, heals a man with demons

**Chapter 9** - Jesus heals a lame man, a mute, a blind man, raises a dead girl and heals a woman of a 12 year infirmity.

**Chapter 10** – Jesus sends the 12 to announce the coming kingdom. They would be \_\_\_\_\_ by some and \_\_\_\_\_ by many.

### **Chapters 11-13**

Deals with the varied response to Jesus and his message. Some people receive him as the promised Messiah, others like his family are neutral on the issue and the religious elite reject him vehemently. Chapter 13 acts as a commentary on the responses of the two previous chapters with parables about the kingdom in its \_\_\_\_\_ stages.

### **Chapter 14-20**

This section opens with the \_\_\_\_\_ of John the Baptist. Jesus expands his miracles to things like feeding the multitudes and walking on water. This increases his popularity and the idea of his Messiahship among those who believe in him but it also increases the vitriol from the religious hierarchy with claims of blasphemy and lawlessness leveled at Him. In the middle of this section Jesus stops to clear the air on an error in their expectation about the coming Messiah. We must remember, that the \_\_\_\_\_ was an mystery concealed in the Old Testament. So they thought the Messiah coming meant He would immediately set up the promised kingdom and \_\_\_\_\_ the Roman government. According to Isaiah, the messianic king would reign by becoming a servant first, suffering and dying for his people.

**Chapters 18-20** are a collection of teachings about the kingdom that often fly in the face of human \_\_\_\_\_.

- You become great by \_\_\_\_\_ not by ruling
- You extend forgiveness not \_\_\_\_\_
- True wealth comes by \_\_\_\_\_ not hoarding

### **Chapter 21-25**

In this section two kingdoms finally \_\_\_\_\_. Gods kingdom that Jesus both epitomized and has been teaching about clashes with the \_\_\_\_\_ kingdom of men. It begins in Chapter 21 when Jesus arrives in Jerusalem for Passover riding a \_\_\_\_\_, another prophetic symbol of his Messiahship. He marches straight into the temple and cleanses it, claiming their Temple was \_\_\_\_\_. This shames his religious adversaries and they decide to have him killed. Before this happens, as part of his final teaching Jesus delivers a scathing sermon on the Pharisees (Ch 23) and after leaving the temple heads to the Mount of Olives to give his discourse on the \_\_\_\_\_ of days.

## **Chapter 26-28**

The final section of the book opens with Jesus taking the Passover with his disciples. From there Jesus is betrayed by Judas, tried by the Sanhedrin, sent to Pilate and eventually sentenced to crucifixion. As he said, he will rise from the grave and finish his course. The book ends with Jesus giving the disciples the \_\_\_\_\_.