

New Testament Survey

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MATTHEW

(Sermons)

Author: Matthew: A Jewish tax-gatherer who became an Apostle (Matt 9:9; Mk 2:14; Lk 5:27,28)

Theme: Jesus as King. Matthew documents Jesus as the Promised Messiah and presents His kingdom program.

Misc. Written to the Jews. Written from Palestine. Composed mainly of Sermons.

Outline:

- I Introduction to the King. (1:1-4:12)
- II Communications from the King (4:13-7:29)
- III Credentials of the King. (8:1-11:1)
- IV Challenge to the King's Authority (11:2-16:12)
- V Cultivation of the King's Disciples (16:13-20:34)
- VI Climax of the King's offer. (21-27)
- VII Confirmation of the King. (28)

People to Know: Jesus, Mary, Joseph, John the Baptist, Peter, James, John, Matthew, Judas, Scribes, Pharisees, Herod, Pilate, Caiaphas

Key Chapters and Passages (Bold required for Elders)

- 1:1-17**. . . . Genealogy from Abraham - David - Christ. Christ is heir to David's Throne
- 1:23. . . . Fulfillment of Isa. 7:14. The Virgin birth of Immanuel.
- 2:15. . . . The flight to Egypt from Herod & later return was prophesied in Hosea 11:1.
- 4**. The Temptation & Introduction to Jesus' ministry; Call of Peter, Andrew, James & John.
- 5-7**. Sermon on the Mount.
- 5:1-11**. . . . The Beatitudes - qualities of the true Kingdom citizen and their resulting blessings.
- 5:17-20**. . . "I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill." Christ's confirmation of the Law by His perfect life & His teaching. Righteousness is more than Pharisaical keeping of the letter of the Law.
- 5:31-32. . . Unrighteous divorce and remarriage perpetuates adultery.
- 6:9-15**. . . . The "Lord's Prayer"
- 7:15-23**. . . Beware of False Teachers
- 8-9**. Miracles of Jesus
- 9:1-6. The Messiah's authority to forgive sins. (cf. Ps. 103:2-3, Isa. 33:24).
- 10. The Twelve sent out to preach.
- 11:7-14. . . John the Baptist is emblematic of the coming of Elijah in the last days (Mal. 4:5,6).
- 12**. Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath - Healing of Man with withered hand; Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit by Pharisees; sign of Jonah; "Who are my Mother and Brothers?"
- 12:22-32. . The Pharisees commit the unforgivable sin of Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit by attributing Christ's power to heal to Beelzebul, the ruler of demons.

13. Parables of the Kingdom

Sower. Only seed on good ground will produce genuine Christians.

Wheat & Tares. False Religion will not be uprooted until judgment day.

Mustard Seed. Rapid growth & widespread influence of kingdom in this age.

Leaven and Meal. Leaven - good or bad. Either this age ends in apostasy or

Christianity becomes a world wide faith through the power of the Gospel
Hidden Treasure/Pearl of Great Price. Treasure /Pearl is Christians redeemed and
the buyer is Christ or treasure/pearl is the Gospel and the buyer is the
perspective Christian who is willing to give all for it.

Dragnet. Purging & separating judgment of real and false believers at the end of the
age.

Householder. "New Things" are mysteries of the new age at hand. The Scribes are
called upon to become disciples of the kingdom.

15:24. . . . Israel had priority in hearing the gospel of the Kingdom in keeping with God's plan
for them to be a light to the nations.

16:18. . . . 'The rock is Peter's confession "You are the Christ," though he would be given special
authority in the Kingdom as apostle and spokesman, but not as first pope. / ²Peter is
the "rock," but this does not signify a succession of authority.

17:20. . . . Littleness of faith vs. faith of a mustard seed - which could move a mountain.

18. Woes to Stumbling Blocks; Church Discipline; Unforgiving Slave.

18:3-5. . . . Sons of the kingdom are to be as humble as children. Welcoming anyone who
belongs to Christ is like welcoming Christ Himself.

18:15-20.. Church discipline

18:21-35.. Forgiveness

19:4-9.. . . Jesus on divorce.

21:1-11.. . . Triumphal entry

23. 7 (or 8) Woes to the Scribes and Pharisees.

24-25. . . . Olivet Discourse.

24:36-42.. Christians do not know the exact time of Christ's return, but they can know the signs
of that time, and thus should be prepared.

25:31-46.. The Sheep and Goat judgment. Reality of Heaven and Hell.

26. The Last Supper, Jesus praying in the Garden of Gethsemane; Judas' betrayal, Jesus'
arrest and trial before Caiaphas

27. Jesus' trial, Crucifixion and burial

27:57-66.. Secure burial, sealing and guarding of Tomb of Jesus. These details destroy the swoon
and stolen body theories.

28... Events of the Resurrection. The Great Commission (16-20)

Detailed Outline.

- I. INTRODUCTION TO THE KING. [1:1-4:12]
 - A. The King's Ancestry - His Genealogy (1:1-17)
 - B. The King's Arrival - His Vvirgin Birth (1:18-25)
 - C. The King's Adoration - The Worship by the Magi (2:1-12)
 - D. The King's Anticipation - Fulfilled Prophecies (2:13-17)
 - 1. The Flight to Egypt (13-15)
 - 2. Herod Slaughters the Children (16-17)
 - 3. Return to Israel after Herod's Death (18-23)
 - E. The King's Announcer - John the Baptist (3:1-12)
 - 1. John's Character (1-6)
 - 2. John's Message (7-12)
- II. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE KING. [3:13-7:29]
 - A. The King's Affirmation - His Baptism (3:13-17)
 - B. The King's Advantage - His Defeat of Satan (4:1-11)
 - 1. First Temptation (1-4)
 - 2. Second Temptation (5-7)
 - 3. Third Temptation (8-11)
 - C. The King's Activity - His Ministry and Miracles (4:12-25)
 - 1. The King Begins His Ministry (12-17)
 - 2. The King Chooses His First Disciples (18-22)
 - 3. The King's Ministry in Galilee (23-25)
 - D. The King's Address - His manifesto: Sermon on the Mount (5-7)
 - 1. The Beatitudes: The Character of a Kingdom Citizen & Its Blessings 5:1-12
 - a. The Setting (1-2)
 - b. Poor in Spirit (3)
 - c. Those who Mourn (4)
 - d. The Meek (5)
 - e. Those who Hunger & Thirst for Righteousness (6)
 - f. The Merciful (7)

- g. The Pure in Heart (8)
 - h. The Peacemakers (9)
 - i. Those Persecuted for Righteousness (10-12)
- 2. Impacting the World 5:13-16)
- 3. Fulfilling the Law & True Righteousness 5:17-20)
- 4. Jesus Corrects Six Moral Teachings; 5:21-48
 - a. Murder & Hatred (21-26)
 - b. Adultery (27-30)
 - c. Divorce (31-32)
 - d. Vows (33-37)
 - e. Revenge (38-42)
 - f. Love & Hate (43-48)
- 5. Jesus Corrects Three Religious Practices; 6:1-18
 - a. General Principle (1)
 - b. Almsgiving (2-4)
 - c. Prayer (5-15)
 - i. Corrections (5-8)
 - ii. Example (9-15)
 - d. Fasting (16-18)
- 6. Jesus Gives Three Prohibitions Concerning; 6:19-7:6
 - a. Treasure (6:19-34)
 - b. Unrighteous Judgment (7:1-5)
 - c. Use of What is Holy (6)
- 7. Encouragement to Pray 7:7-11
- 8. Entering the Kingdom 7:12-27
 - a. The Golden Rule (12)

- b. Two Gates & Two Ways (13-14)
- c. Warning About False Teachers (15-23)
- d. Two Foundations (24-27)
 - i. Rock - Those Who Hear & Act (24-25)
 - ii. Sand - Those Who Hear & Do Not Act (26-27)

9. Response to the Sermon (7:28-29)

III. CREDENTIALS OF THE KING. [8:1-11:1]

A. The King's Power 8-9

- 1. Miracles of Healing (8:1-17)
 - a. Cleansing the Leper (1-4)
 - b. Restoring the Paralyzed (5-13)
 - c. Healing Peter's Mother-in-Law (14-15)
 - d. Multiplicity of Miracles Fulfilling the Prophecies (16-17)
- 2. Demands of Discipleship (8:18-22)
- 3. Miracles of Power (18:23-9:8)
 - a. Calming the Sea (18:23-27)
 - b. Casting Out Demons (8:28-34)
 - c. Forgiving Sin (9:1-8)
- 4. Jesus' Disciples (9:9-17)
 - a. Matthew is Called (9)
 - b. Dinning with Sinners (10-13)
 - c. Not Fasting (14-17)
- 5. Miracles of Restoration (9:18-34)
 - a. Restoring Life (18-26)
 - b. Restoring Sight (27-31)
 - c. Restoring Speech (32-34)
 - d. Preaching and Healing (35-36)

- B. The King's Ambassadors 9:37-11:1
 - a. The Need for Workers (9:37-38)
 - b. The Ministry of the Disciples (10:1-11:1)

IV. CHALLENGE TO THE KING'S AUTHORITY. [11:2-16:12]

- A. The King's Conflicts 11-12
 - 1. John the Baptist 11:2-15
 - a. His Question (2-6)
 - b. Jesus' Tribute to John (7-15)
 - 2. Rejection by Jesus' Generation 11:16-19
 - 3. Rejection by Cities of Galilee 11:20-24
 - 4. Invitation to Come to Jesus 11:25-30
 - 5. Rejection by the Pharisees 12:1-50
 - a. For Labor on the Sabbath (1-8)
 - b. For Healing on the Sabbath (9-14)
 - c. Jesus' Continued Ministry (15-21)
 - d. Their Blaspheming of the Holy Spirit (22-37)
 - e. Their Demand for Signs (38-45)
 - f. Jesus' True Family (46-50)

- B. The King's Secrets (13)
 - 1. Parables Spoken to the Multitude (13:1-35)
 - a. The Parable of the Sower (1-23)
 - 1. Jesus Teaches in Parables (1-3)
 - 2. The Parable (3-9)
 - 3. The Reason for Parables (10-17)
 - 4. The Explanation of the Parable (18-23)

- b. The Parable of the Wheat & Tares (24-30)
 - c. The Parable of the Mustard Seed (31-32)
 - d. The Parable of the Leaven (33-35)
- 2. Parables Spoken to the Disciples (13:36-53)
 - a. The Parable of the Tares Explained (36-43)
 - b. The Parable of the Hidden Treasure (44)
 - c. The Parable of the Pearl of Great Price (45-46)
 - d. The Parable of the Dragnet (47-50)
 - e. The Parable of the Householder (51-53)
- C. The King's Withdrawal 13:54-14:36
 - 1. The King Rejected in Nazareth (13:54-58)
 - 2. The Martyrdom of John the Baptist (14:1-12)
 - 3. Jesus' Withdrawal (14:13-36)
 - a. His Departure to a Lonely Place (13-14)
 - b. Feeding the Five Thousand (15-21)
 - c. Praying on the Mountain (22-23)
 - d. Return to the Disciples by Walking on the Water (24-33)
 - e. Crossing Over to Gennesaret (34-36)
- D. The King's Concern (15)
 - 1. Traditions & Commandments (15:1-20)
 - 2. The Syrophoenician Woman (15:21-28)
 - 3. Compassion on the Multitudes (15:29-39)
 - a. Healing Them (29-31)
 - b. Feeding Them (32-39)

- E. The King's Testing (16:1-12)
 - 1. The Request for a Sign from Heaven (1-4)
 - 2. Jesus' Withdrawal (5-12)

V. CULTIVATION OF THE KING'S DISCIPLES. [16:13-20:34]

- A. The King's Surprise (16:13-28)
 - 1. Peter's Confession (13-20)
 - 2. Peter's Contradiction (21-23)
 - 3. The Cost of Discipleship (24-28)
- B. The King's Glory (17)
 - 1. The Transfiguration (17:1-13)
 - 2. The Power of Faith (17:14-21)
 - 3. Foretelling the Crucifixion & Resurrection (17:22-23)
 - 4. Paying the Tribute Tax (17:24-27)
- C. The King's Rebuke (18:1-35)
 - 1. The Call to Humility (1-5)
 - 2. Warning to Stumbling Blocks (6-14)
 - 3. Church Discipline (15-20)
 - 4. The Nature of Forgiveness (21-35)
- D. The King's Instructions (19:1-15)
 - 1. Concerning Divorce (1-12)
 - 2. Blessing the Children (13-15)
- E. The King's Demands (19:16-20:34)
 - 1. The Rich Young Ruler (19:16-26)
 - 2. The Disciples Reward (19:27-30)

3. The Parable of the Vineyard (20:1-16)
4. Prophecy of Crucifixion & Resurrection (20:17-19)
5. Prophecy of Disciples' Future (20:20-28)
6. Restoring the Sight of the Blind Men (20:29-34)

VI. CLIMAX OF THE KING'S OFFER. [21-27]

A. The King's Judgments (21:1-22:14)

1. The Triumphal Entry (21:1-11)
2. Cleansing the Temple (21:12-17)
3. The Cursing of the Fig Tree (21:18-22)
4. The Challenge to Jesus' Authority (21:23-22:14)
 - a. The Challenge (21:23-27)
 - b. The Parable of the Two Sons (21:28-32)
 - c. The Parable of the Land Owner (21:33-46)
 - d. The Parable of the Marriage Feast (22:1-14)

B. The King's Defense (22:15-46)

1. Concerning the Poll Tax (22:15-22)
2. Concerning the Resurrection (22:23-46)

C. The King's Denunciation (23)

1. Pharisaism Exposed (23:1-12)
2. The Pronouncement of the Woes (23:13-36)
3. The Lament Over Jerusalem (23:37-39)

D. The King's Return (24-25)

1. Signs of Christ's Return (24:1-31)

2. The Parable of the Fig Tree (24:32-41)

3. The Call to Be Alert for His Coming (24:42-51)

4. The Parable of the Ten Virgins (25:1-13)

5. The Parable of the Talents (25:14-30)

6. The Sheep & Goat Judgment (25:31-46)

E. The King's Preparation (26:1-56)

1. The Plot to Kill Jesus (26:1-5)

2. The Anointing (26:6-13)

3. Judas' Bargain (26:14-16)

4. The Last Passover (26:17-35)

5. Prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane (26:36-46)

F. The King's Trial (26:47-27:26)

1. The Arrest (26:47-56)

2. Jesus Before Caiaphas (26:57-68)

3. Peter's Denials (26:69-75)

4. Judas' Remorse (27:1-10)

5. Jesus Before Pilate (27:11-26)

G. The King's Suffering and Death (27:27-66)

1. Preparation for Crucifixion (27:27-32)

2. The Crucifixion (27:33-56)

3. Jesus' Burial (27:57-66)

VII. CONFIRMATION OF THE KING.

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A. The King's Resurrection (1-10)

B. The King's Enemies Response (11-15)

C. The King's Commission of His Disciples (16-20)