Matthew: Jesus is Messiah, King of the Jews A Survey of the Bible

Context: Who, Where, When and Why?

- Who composed Matthew?
- Who was Matthew's original audience?
- When was Matthew written?
- Where were Matthew and his readers?
- Why was he writing?

Content: How and What?

• *How is Matthew organized?*

Prologue: The Incarnation of the King (1:2:-2:23)

- Preparation of the King (3:1-7:29)
- Message #1 The Sermon on the Mount (4:12-7:29)
- Ministry of the King (8:1-11:1)
- Message #2 The Sending of Disciples to Israel (9:35-10:42)
- Opposition to the King (11:2-13:42)
- Message #3 The New Form of the Kingdom (13:1-52)
- Private Teaching of the King (13:53-18:35)
- Message #4 Living in the Community of the King (18:1-35)
- Official Presentation of the King (19:1-25:46)
- Message #5 The Olivet Discourse (24:3-25:46)

Epilogue: The Death and Resurrection of the King (26:1-28:20)

• What is the message of Matthew?

Conviction: So What?

• Where does this fit?

- Matthew is perhaps the first gospel written and by far the most popular gospel in the first centuries of the church.
- Matthew is a very "Jewish Gospel" and clearly present Jesus as the fulfillment of Messianic prophesy. It assumes a knowledge of Jewish background, history, and customs.
- Matthew presents Jesus as King of the Jews and Savior of the world. The structure of the book sets forth Jesus as a "New Moses" who delivers a "New Torah" in five key Messages.
- What should we believe?
- Jesus is the fulfillment and culmination of the Old Testament.
- Jesus is both the Savior of the world who came to redeem and King of the Jews who will return to reign.
- Jesus left us with a purpose to represent Him in the world and make disciples of all nations.
- How should we behave?
- Embracing the gracious salvation that comes through the King of the Jews death and resurrection.
- Fulfilling the Great Commission that our Savior King gave us to make disciples.

Next Steps

- Accept the salvation that came through the death and resurrection of Jesus.
- Take an active step to begin living a "Great Commission Lifestyle" by seeing your purpose as a child of the King who consistently point people to Him with your witness (life, testimony, and clear presentation of the gospel).

This Week's Growth Guide

God's Word is both central and critical to your spiritual growth. We invite you to utilize the Growth Guide during the week to further your application of the Truth from the message.

- •. Monday Matthew 4:12-7:27 (7:28-29)
- •. Tuesday Matthew 9:35-10:42 (11:1)
- •. Wednesday Matthew 13:1-52 (13:53)
- •. Thursday Matthew 18:1-35 (19-1)
- •. **Friday** Matthew 24:3-25:36 (26:1)

Home Church

Our Home Churches meet weekly to facilitate quicker relational depth, study the same passage taught Sunday to help apply Scripture in the context of community, and pray with one another.

Home Church Questions

- Scott Duvall and Danny Hays write, "Matthew emphasizes Jesus's teachings. The five discourses highlight what it means to be a Christ follower today. God expects us to live a certain way $(\underline{5-7})$, to be mission-driven $(\underline{10})$, to be kingdom-centered $(\underline{13})$, to relate to one another with humility and forgiveness $(\underline{18})$, and to be faithful as we wait for Jesus to return $(\underline{24-25})$. If you're looking for direction and structure in your walk with God, these five discourses have much to offer."
- Choose one of the teaching sections of Jesus in Matthew and read it in the group.
- What is it about the message you chose that captured your attention?
- What clear lesson can you take away as a disciple who is following Jesus?
- What about Ken's presentation of Matthew was most helpful and orienting to you?
- Is there an obvious application for you personally? How will you take a step forward related to this?
- Read the "Great Commission" in <u>Matthew 28:16-20</u>. How can you be faithful to apply this and not just watch others apply?

Finances

Weekly Budget 32,692 Giving For 12/31 41,106 Giving For 01/07 49,591 YTD Budget 915,385 Giving 958,783 OVER/(UNDER) 43,398

Worship Night At Fellowship

Join us January 21, 6:30 p.m. to kick off 2024 with our annual worship night in the round. We will pray, read scripture, and sing praise as we worship together through the book of Psalms. *Child care available for ages 6 years and younger.*

New to Fellowship?

We are so glad that you joined the Fellowship Family to worship this morning. If you are joining us for the first time or have been checking us out for a few weeks, we are excited you are here and would love to meet you. Please fill out the "Connect Card" and bring it to the Connection Center in the Atrium, we would love to say "hi" and give you a gift.

Fellowship 201 - Core Doctrines of Fellowship

Fellowship 201 is designed for anyone who has gone through Fellowship 101 in the last year and wants a deeper understanding of our beliefs. Together, we will go through core Christian teachings and how they apply to our daily lives. *Join us January 21 and 28. Register at fellowshipconway.org/register*

Fellowship Women's Study - 2 Thessalonians: Living Faithfully until Jesus Returns

This begins Thursday, February 22 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Fellowship in room 2110. Register by Jan 25 at **fellowshipconway.org/register**. Childcare RSVP by text to Shanna at 501-336-0332.

Czech Stoby's Pancake Fundraiser

Join us for breakfast or brunch on January 28, 8-1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$6 per person (all you can eat), with proceeds benefiting the 2024 Fellowship Youth & College Czech Mission trip. Tickets are available in the Atrium **TODAY**.

Fellowship Kids Family Game Night

Fellowship families pack up your favorite games and join us Friday, January 26, 6-8:00 p.m. for games, snacks, and a lot of fun. We hope to see you there!

Fellowship Kids Parents Night out Czech Fundraiser

Parents, enjoy a night out while we have a fun evening with your kids on Friday, February 2, 6-8:30 p.m. Register now through January 26 for kids birth through fourth grade. All donations will support the Fellowship Kids team going to the Czech Republic. To register and/or make a donation, go to fellowshipconway.org/register.

Father Daughter Dance

Guys, enjoy dinner with your daughter(s) grades 5-12th, Saturday, March 2. Then join us at here at Fellowship from 7-9:30 p.m. for dancing and a night of fun!

Fellowship Kids Baptism Class

Join us for our baptism class, where we will discuss the character of God, sin, salvation, baptism, and what comes next. We will meet all four Sundays in February during the second service in Room 2101. Contact Heather at https://heather.new.org/mediate/. Register at Fellowshipconway.org/register.