

Matthew

Weekly Reading Schedule

- Sunday - Matthew 1-4
- Monday - Matthew 5-8
- Tuesday - Matthew 9-12
- Wednesday - Mt. 13-16
- Thursday - Mt. 17-20
- Friday - Matthew 21-24
- Saturday - Mt. 25-28

Memory Verses:

- ★ Matthew 1:22
 - ★ Matthew 3:16-17
 - ★ Matthew 5:3-12
 - ★ Matthew 6:33
 - ★ Matthew 16:16-19
 - ★ Matthew 23:12
 - ★ Matthew 28:18-20
 - ★ Your choice
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Interesting Facts

- ❖ Key words: "Kingdom" (55 times), Kingdom of Heaven (32 times). And "King," many times.
- ❖ Key phrase - "That it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet..."
- ❖ The book was written by Matthew, also known as Levi who was a tax collector sometime before 70 AD, perhaps 58-60 AD.
- ❖ Matthew, a Jew, wrote to Jews to show that Jesus was the Messiah.
- ❖ Five great sermons: (1) The Sermon on the mount (5-7), (2) Instructions to apostles (10:5-42), (3) Parables of the Kingdom (13:1-52), (4) Discourse on humility and forgiveness (18:1-35). (5) Prophetic discourses (24:1-25:46)
- ❖ Matthew has 28 chapters, 1071 verses, 23,343 words, and can be read by the average reader in 2 hours and 39 minutes.

Memorable Outline of Matthew (From The Expositor's Bible Commentary)

- I. Prologue: The origin and birth of Jesus (1:1-2:23)
- II. The gospel of the kingdom (3:1-7:29)
- III. The kingdom extended under Jesus' authority (8:1-11:1)
- IV. Teaching and Preaching: Rising Opposition (11:2-13:53)
- V. The glory and shadow: Progressive Polarization (13:54-19:2)
- VI. Opposition and Eschatology: Triumph of Grace (19:3-23:39)
- VII. The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus (26:6-28:20)

Scheme of Redemption

The Royal Redeemer

"The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the son of Abraham." (1:1)
"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his Name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." (1:21)
"Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." (1:23)

What to look for as you read:

1. The numerous points where Matthew calls attention to fulfillment of OT prophecy.
2. Five discourses which are a guide to discipleship.
3. The movement of Jesus from birth to death, to resurrection, to ascension.
4. The emphasis on the Kingdom.

Notes