

The Gospel of Matthew

Sunday evening, October 2

1. Matthew records the fulfillment to the OT Messianic prophecies. Matthew breaks the silence of 400 years with “that it might be fulfilled” eleven times (1:22-23; 2:15, 17-18, 23; 4:14-16; 8:17; 12:17-21; 13:35; 21:4-5; 26:56; 27:9-19).
2. Matthew is the first book in the NT. It is the Genesis of the NT.

1. The Author is Matthew

- A. The book has more references to coins than any other book.
- B. Matthew’s humility shows up in this book. He refers to “Matthew the tax collector.”
- C. Matthew says after his conversion he had “a dinner” (9:9.10) for his friends.
- D. Being a tax collector, Matthew had the ability to write and keep records which he reflects when he so precisely records six sermons of Christ

2. The Audience is Jewish

- A. Matthew writes to the Jews
- B. Matthew quotes or alludes 100 times to the OT

3. The Purpose is to convince Jews that Christ is the OT Messiah

- A. Mt 1:1 The genealogy of the King
 - 1) Jesus had a human right to be King (1:1-17). He was the son of David
 - 2) Jesus had a divine right to be King (1:18-25). He was the son of God
- B. Mt 2:2 The birth of the King
- C. Mt 3:2 The announcement of the King
- D. Mt 4 The test of the King

4. The Method is to outline the Words and Works of King Jesus

All Jesus’ teachings end with “when Jesus had ended these sayings” 7:28; 11:1; 13:53; 19:1; 26:1)

- A. Words or Jesus’ Teaching: Sermon on the Mount (5-7)**
Works or Narrative: The Miracles of Jesus (8-9)
- B. Words or Jesus’ Teaching: Commanding the Twelve (10)**
Works or Narrative: Opposition of Jesus (11-12)
- C. Words or Jesus’ Teaching: The Kingdom Parables (13)**
Works or Narrative: Continued ministry and opposition (14-17)
- D. Words or Jesus’ Teaching: Instruction on Humility (18)**
Works or Narrative: The Ultimate Rejection (19-23)
- E. Words or Jesus’ Teaching: End Time Lessons (24-25)**
Works or Narrative: The Death and Resurrection of Christ (26-28)