

MATTHEW

INTRODUCTION

OUR GOAL

To give you the tools to study the Bible on your own with confidence, providing a better understanding of God and your relationship with Him.

THE PLAN

Each month, we will introduce another book of the Bible and give you some guidance to help you study on your own.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- A Bible you are comfortable marking in.
- Some markers or colored pencils.
- Worksheets we will provide.
- Time (about 30 minutes each day).
- Prayer (we always need God's help as we study the Bible).

BIBLE STUDY METHOD

- Observation | What does it say? (Interrogate the text: who, what, when, where, and how.)
- Interpretation | What did it mean to the intended audience?
- Application | What did I learn that should affect my life? (Is there a behavior, attitude, or understanding that should change in my life?)

GOALS (Each is valuable independently, but all three combined will provide the greatest result.)

- Read (hopefully more than once).
- Mark (strategically looking for details that matter).
- Record (lists and labels-themes, places, teaching, prophecies, etc.).

MATTHEW

The ______ and His _____

THE BASICS

Who was Matthew? (Note passages in the book where he is mentioned.)

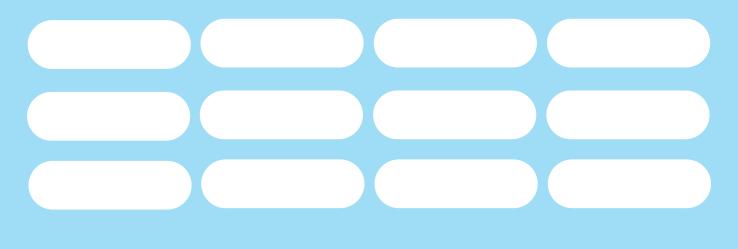
What is the focus or theme of the book? (Look for repeated words or phrases.)

Approximately when did these events take place?

MAIN CHARACTERS

Jesus

The Twelve Disciples (Note the references where they are mentioned.)



Rulers Mentioned

Religious Leaders/Groups Mentioned

MAJOR EVENTS

List major events in Jesus' life and the location they took place. (Make a list and mark on the map.)

EVENT	LOCATION	REFERENCE
Birth	Bethlehem	Matthew 2:1
Escape from Herod	Egypt	Matthew 2:14
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SERMONS JESUS PREACHED

Two are well-known—see if you can find the others as well.

The Sermon On The Mount (Of Olives)—Matthew 5-7

The Olivet Discourse

MIRACLES	JESUS	PERFO	RMED
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QUESTIONS JESUS ASKED

DIRECTED TO THE CROWDS:

DIRECTED TO THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES:

QUESTIONS JESUS ASKED

DIRECTED TO THE DISCIPLES:

DIRECTED TO THE TWO BLIND MEN:

OLD TESTAMENT MATTHEW PROPHECIES

PROPHECIES	OLD TESTAMENT	MATTHEW
Messiah would be born of a woman.	Genesis 3:15	
Messiah would be born in Bethlehem.	Micah 5:2	
Messiah would be born of a virgin.	Isaiah 7:14	
Messiah would come from the line of Abraham.	Genesis 12:3	
Messiah would come from the tribe of Judah.	Genesis 49:10	
Messiah would be heir to King David's throne.	2 Samuel 7:12-13	
Messiah would be called Immanuel.	Isaiah 7:14	
Messiah would spend a season in Egypt.	Hosea 11:1	
A massacre of children would happen at Messiah's birthplace.	Jeremiah 31:15	
Messiah would be called a Nazarene.	Isaiah 11:1	
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OLD TESTAMENT MATTHEW PROPHECIES

PROPHECIES	OLD TESTAMENT	MATTHEW
Messiah would bring light to Galilee.	Isaiah 9:1-2	
Messiah would speak in parables.	Isaiah 6:9-10	
Messiah would be praised by little children.	Psalm 8:2	
Messiah would be betrayed.	Psalm 41:9	
Messiah would be spat upon and struck.	Isaiah 50:6	
Messiah would be crucified with criminals.	Isaiah 53:12	
Messiah would be given vinegar to drink.	Psalm 69:21	
Soldiers would gamble for Messiah's garments.	Psalm 22:18	
Messiah would be buried with the rich.	lsaiah 53:9	
Messiah would resurrect from the dead.	Psalm 16:10; 49:15	



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GETTING TO KNOW JESUS BETTER

Personal Reflections On Who Jesus Is As Portrayed In Matthew (Does it impact my personal relationship with him?)

Areas Of Personal Concern Based On What Jesus Taught

Explore Further (Things I want to better understand.)

MATTHEW 1 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION



The Ancestors Of Jesus The Messiah

- **1** This is a record of the ancestors of Jesus the Messiah, a descendant of David and of Abraham:
- **2** Abraham was the father of Isaac. Isaac was the father of Jacob. Jacob was the father of Judah and his brothers.
- **3** Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah (whose mother was Tamar). Perez was the father of Hezron. Hezron was the father of Ram.
- **4** Ram was the father of Amminadab. Amminadab was the father of Nahshon. Nahshon was the father of Salmon.
- **5** Salmon was the father of Boaz (whose mother was Rahab). Boaz was the father of Obed (whose mother was Ruth). Obed was the father of Jesse.
- **6** Jesse was the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon (whose mother was Bathsheba, the widow of Uriah).
- 7 Solomon was the father of Rehoboam. Rehoboam was the father of Abijah. Abijah was the father of Asa.
- **8** Asa was the father of Jehoshaphat. Jehoshaphat was the father of Jehoram. Jehoram was the father of Uzziah.
- **9** Uzziah was the father of Jotham. Jotham was the father of Ahaz. Ahaz was the father of Hezekiah.

- 10 Hezekiah was the father of Manasseh. Manasseh was the father of Amon. Amon was the father of Josiah.
- **11** Josiah was the father of Jehoiachin and his brothers (born at the time of the exile to Babylon).
- **12** After the Babylonian exile: Jehoiachin was the father of Shealtiel. Shealtiel was the father of Zerubbabel.
- **13** Zerubbabel was the father of Abiud. Abiud was the father of Eliakim. Eliakim was the father of Azor.
- **14** Azor was the father of Zadok. Zadok was the father of Akim. Akim was the father of Eliud.
- **15** Eliud was the father of Eleazar. Eleazar was the father of Matthan. Matthan was the father of Jacob.
- **16** Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Mary gave birth to Jesus, who is called the Messiah.
- 17 All those listed above include fourteen generations from Abraham to David, fourteen from David to the Babylonian exile, and fourteen from the Babylonian exile to the Messiah.

The Birth Of Jesus The Messiah

- 18 This is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother, Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph. But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- **19** Joseph, to whom she was engaged, was a righteous man and did not want to disgrace her publicly, so he decided to break the engagement quietly.
- 20 As he considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream."Joseph, son of David," the angel said, "do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife. For the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit.
- **21** And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."
- 22 All of this occurred to fulfill the Lord's message through his prophet:
- **23** "Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means 'God is with us.'"
- **24** When Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded and took Mary as his wife.
- **25** But he did not have sexual relations with her until her son was born. And Joseph named him Jesus.

MATTHEW 2 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION



Visitors From The East

- **1** Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking,
- **2** "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him."
- **3** King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem.
- **4** He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, "Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?"
- **5** "In Bethlehem in Judea," they said, "for this is what the prophet wrote:
- **6** 'And you, O Bethlehem in the land of Judah, are not least among the ruling cities of Judah, for a ruler will come from you who will be the shepherd for my people Israel.'"
- **7** Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared.
- 8 Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!"

- **9** After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was.
- 10 When they saw the star, they were filled with joy!
- **11** They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
- **12** When it was time to leave, they returned to their own country by another route, for God had warned them in a dream not to return to Herod.

The Escape To Egypt

- 13 After the wise men were gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up! Flee to Egypt with the child and his mother," the angel said."Stay there until I tell you to return, because Herod is going to search for the child to kill him."
- 14 That night Joseph left for Egypt with the child and Mary, his mother,
- **15** and they stayed there until Herod's death. This fulfilled what the Lord had spoken through the prophet: "I called my Son out of Egypt."

- 16 Herod was furious when he realized that the wise men had outwitted him. He sent soldiers to kill all the boys in and around Bethlehem who were two years old and under, based on the wise men's report of the star's first appearance.
- **17** Herod's brutal action fulfilled what God had spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:
- 18 "A cry was heard in Ramah—weeping and great mourning. Rachel weeps for her children, refusing to be comforted, for they are dead."

The Return To Nazareth

- **19** When Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt.
- 20 "Get up!" the angel said. "Take the child and his mother back to the land of Israel, because those who were trying to kill the child are dead."
- **21** So Joseph got up and returned to the land of Israel with Jesus and his mother.
- 22 But when he learned that the new ruler of Judea was Herod's son Archelaus, he was afraid to go there. Then, after being warned in a dream, he left for the region of Galilee.
- **23** So the family went and lived in a town called Nazareth. This fulfilled what the prophets had said: "He will be called a Nazarene."