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Note from Pastor: Please feel free to ask questions don't be too shy to inquire, before, during, after class or contact us through the web through our YouTube page or email at www.4176sbaptist@gmail.com.

- All questions are welcomed and encouraged.
- Questions can make the teacher better able to communicate and give us a better sense in the application of the Word in our walk with GOD.

(John 8:32) And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Pastor's Comments:

- Reading, praying and meditating are helpful in living for Christ Jesus.
- The bible has both literal and spiritual meaning and application; don't over spiritualize taking it out of context.
- Carefully and critically listen to any person standing before you to teach the Word of God.
- Glorify God not men!
- Don't use your experience as the standard instead take it and let the Word of God be the arbitrator.
- "New birth" means partnership with the Holy Spirit.
- Weigh things on God's scale; His is never unbalanced.
- (Ephesians 5:15) See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
- (1 Peter 5:7) Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.
- (Matthew 11:30) For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.
- Pray your coming to study the Word of God will not be in vain but be fruitful and beneficial to equip you in the Lord.



Study in the Gospel of Matthew:

Study in the Book of Matthew verse by verse is helpful for clarity.

Review: Pastor's comments

In this study of the **Gospel of Matthew** we will deal with several of the **Lord's** teachings in the way of **parables**; **an earthly story with a heavenly meaning**, it has natural details with a truth that is conveyed. It is what you get from the details of the story that means something.

- Read Acts 20:22-27
- (Acts 20:27) For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.
- In teaching the Word of God it should be the final court of arbitration.
- Paul uses this biblical tool: Theological synthesis take what the Bible teaches and put together a principle, a godly instruction.
- Share out of the full counsel of God.
- We all are at different points of understanding; we ought not share past what we understand, beyond our own capacity.
- (Matthew 12:33) Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit.
- The fruit of the Spirit can be attested (witnessed) to.

Review:

(Matthew 12:35) A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

(Matthew 12:39) But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

(Matthew 12:40) For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the



heart of the earth.

(Matthew 12:43) When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry place, seeking rest, and findeth none.

(Matthew 12:45) Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.

- When the Lord does anything for you something ought to get put in you, it ought to be gratitude to God; no matter what you face today.
- Be grateful to God beyond the circumstances you face; He promised to never leave you!
- **Christ** is there to supply everything we need.

(Matthew 12:47) Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee.

(Matthew 12:48) But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?

• **Christ** answers their condition of unbelief and doubts; **He** identifies **His** family...

(Matthew 12:49) And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!

- Jesus points not to everyone but to His disciples.
- Who are your brothers? Who are the family of **God**?

(Matthew 12:50) For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

Every aspect of relationship (family) is addressed here.

Chp. 13:

(Matthew 13:1) The same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.

(Matthew 13:3) And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;



(Matthew 13:9) Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

- There are different kinds of dirt or soil;
- Some fell where the seed didn't penetrate the dirt and the birds came and took the seeds.
- Some fell on shallow dirt, but having no roots came up quickly and the sun burned it.
- Some fell among thorns; being stronger it choked the seeds out.
- Some fell on good ground and yielded much crop.

(Matthew 13:10) And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

(Matthew 13:11) He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

- **Jesus** is speaking to **His** disciples, who had the knowledge that the world did not have.
- Jesus is the only way!
- These parables bring them out of the mysteriousness into the marvelous light of Christ; He is teaching them to bring them someplace; it is to bring out of darkness into the light of Jesus Christ.

(Matthew 13:12) For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

(Matthew 13:13) Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

- To them it is not given to know but to you, **Jesus'** disciples it is given.
- This gives us an advantage but He gives them the gospel of Christ.
- The "haves", the disciples; those who don't know are the "have nots" but what is present is the opportunity to become a "have."
 But to those who have abundance is given but to the have nots, what you have will be taken away; opportunity for a changed heart.
- Anybody who has ears are you hearing with understanding, hearing with an open heart an open mind; they will not stay a "have not."
- Rabbinical teaching.
- Greater exposure to the truth increases one's accountability to **God**



in judgment. (11:20-24), **God's** graciousness toward those whom **He** knew would be unresponsive.

• They had before them the **Savior** of the world, **God** in the flesh but they did not hear **God**, therefore they did not understand.

(Matthew 13:14) And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:

(Matthew 13:15) For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

- Read Isa. 6:9-10 (Stony resistance not permanent resistance)
- **Jesus** talks about the condition of the people's heart; it had been in that condition for hundreds of years. The blind leading the blind.
- If you see right, if you hear right, you will be saved because you will have the right understanding.

(Matthew 13:16) But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.

(Matthew 13:17) For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.

(Matthew 13:18) Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.

- Four types of soil represent types of people and their different responses to Jesus.
- The first three types represent those who reject Jesus outright.

(Matthew 13:19) When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

(Matthew 13:20) But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;

(Matthew 13:21) Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for



when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

- The devotion and commitment to **God** is the conduct of a disciple.
- Who set you on fire?
- Stony ground saints have no roots so in time lose that commitment to **Christ**, the work of the church, falsely claiming to be **Christ's** disciple.
- In your witness for **Christ** what do you have to give?
- (Psalms 119:11) Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.
- The seed is to be sown in your heart.
- Read Mark 10:17-27 (The rich young ruler)
- **Jesus** went and found the blind man, healed him and told him who **He** was; there will be instances when reaching out could cease.
- If you have it, it will be revealed for it is the reason you have it. What you have is meant to be given and shared.
- (Matthew 5:16) Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
- Read God's book first, from Genesis to Revelation!

(Matthew 13:22) He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

- The cares of this world, don't spend so much time on your outside;
 what are you doing for your inside? Do you smell on the inside?
- (2 Corinthians 12:9) And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.
- Don't allow your conditions to determine if you truly trust and believe
 God.
- (Ephesians 6:12) For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
- The accuser, the devil accuses **God** of being neglectful of you, don't allow him to deceive you; **God's** grace is sufficient.