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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 <u>www.4176sbaptist@gmail.com</u>.

- 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.

• Matthew/Levi; formerly known as tax collector, "Gift of God"

Review: Pastor's comments

Jesus continues to teach in parables/earthly story with heavenly meaning:

- 1.) familiar subject matter to believers willing to hear.
- 2.) concealed from those who had calloused hearts and rejected truth.

(Matthew 13:24) Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, **The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field:**

(Matthew 13:25) But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

(Matthew 13:30) Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

- Sowing the **Word of God**; good seeds and evil seeds growing together.
- Liken to lazy preachers who minister for personal gain and adulation.
- God will send His harvesters. It isn't how you begin but how you end.
- God cannot be other than Himself.

(Matthew 13:31) Another parable put He forth unto them, saying, **The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:**

(Matthew 13:33) Another parable spake He unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

- Although the Gospel started small, it has grown to all over the world.
- The good effect of the Gospel and the great impact the kingdom has despite its small beginnings.

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(Matthew 13:36) Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

(Matthew 13:37) He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

(Matthew 13:38) The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;

(Matthew 13:43) Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

- Jesus uses identifiable things to the disciples.
- Time is coming when judgment will be passed down-eternally in fire for the wicked and blessings for the righteous at the appropriate time.
- Do you have a desire to know your **Creator**?

(Matthew 13:44) Again, **the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure** hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

(Matthew 13:45) Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

- Consider the treasure found and hides it, goes to sell all he has.
- (1 Corinthians 6:20) For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.
- Jesus purchased us with His blood for those who have come to trust Him as their Savior.
- The treasure is the soul of a man!
- (Job 1:12) And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.
- The devil makes claim on things that are not his.
- Jesus came and paid our sin-debt. God gave all to redeem us.
- Christ died to save our soul.
- What do you value more than **God's** kingdom.
- The kingdom of God is the rule of God, where God rules; if God doesn't rule your life, you are not a part of **His** kingdom.
- (Hebrews 12:2) Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.
- A man's worth has nothing to do with his finances.
- (John 3:16) For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have

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everlasting life.

- You must give up everything for your relationship with God.
- God first! Give it all to Jesus!
- What do you have that you will put before **Christ**?
- (Luke 19:10) For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.
- We are the pearls-**God's** justice said what will it cost **Jesus**; **He** would pay the price.

(Matthew 13:47) Again, **the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net**, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind:

(Matthew 13:52) Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto **the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man** that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.

- Reference to the end of the age.
- These teachings were things from the OT (old treasures) and the NT (new treasures) the teachings of **Jesus Christ**.

(Matthew 13:53) And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.

(Matthew 13:57) And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.

(Matthew 13:58) And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

- Jesus' own country was Nazareth. He teaches in their churches.
- The level and depth of Jesus' teachings was incomprehensible.
- They questioned the wisdom of **Jesus'** teachings.
- There are too many unbiblical teachings in our churches.
- (2 Timothy 2:15) Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
- Do you know Jesus?
- Because of unbelief in **Jesus'** teachings, we miss out.

Chp. 14: John the Baptist Beheaded

(Matthew 14:1) At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus, (Matthew 14:3) For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife.

(Matthew 14:8) And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give

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me here John Baptist's head in a charger.

(Matthew 14:10) And he sent, and beheaded John in the prison.

(Matthew 14:11) And his head was brought in a charger, and given to the damsel: and she brought it to her mother.

(Matthew 14:12) And his disciples came, and took up the body, and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

- Herod's paranoia fed by his guilty conscience; he had regret keeping his oath to his wife's daughter, Salome.
- Read Mark 6:14-29 (more on this event)
- Herod was driven by misplaced pride and a need to be liked.

(Matthew 14:13) When Jesus heard of it, he departed thence by ship into a desert place apart: and when the people had heard thereof, they followed him on foot out of the cities.

(Matthew 14:15) And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals. (Matthew 14:16) But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart; give ye them to eat.

(Matthew 14:17) And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes.

(Matthew 14:18) He said, Bring them hither to me.

- Jesus feeds five thousand.
- Jesus tells the disciples to feed them but bring it first to Him;
- Take what you have to feed others to **Jesus** first and let **Jesus** put **His** hand on it and watch.
- When **God** is doing something in your life folk will question who do you think you are just as they did **Jesus**.

