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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.

# **Outline: A Study in the Book of**



(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**.

