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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 or take 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 cares for you.
- (Matthew 11:30) "For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light."
- Pray that 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

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

• John the Baptist beheaded.

(Matthew 14:19) And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.

- Five loaves and two fish.
- Jesus fed them all with a little.

(Matthew 14:29) And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

- Jesus identified Himself as Yahweh; "I am, do not be afraid"!
- Peter doubted; when we doubt in disobedience we sink.

(Matthew 14:36) And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole.

 Many touched the hem of **His** garment; the woman with the issue of blood (Lk. 8:43-48)

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(Matthew 15:3) But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?

- **Jesus** condemned the Pharisees and scribes for valuing human tradition above Scripture. They added their own commentary.
- Know for yourself what the Word of God says.
- (2 Timothy 4:3) For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

(Matthew 15:6) And honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free.



Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.

(Matthew 15:8) This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

(Matthew 15:9) But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

• **Jesus** strongly condemned the teaching by corrupt men (priest).

(Matthew 15:11) Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.

Jesus argued that food consumed with dirty hands didn't spiritually
defile a man, but the words that came out of one's mouth showed the
sinful condition of their hearts.

(Matthew 15:13) But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.

(Matthew 15:14) Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

(Matthew 15:17) Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?

(Matthew 15:18) But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.

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- Jesus taught that the human heart is innately corrupt.
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- **Jesus** followers are: (Matthew 5:8) Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
- Our communities suffer because of the corrupt hearts of men; until and unless hearts are changed by following **Christ** there's no change.

(Matthew 15:22) And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil.

(Matthew 15:24) But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

- This woman was a Gentile who had heard about Jesus; she came to be blessed by Him for her daughter.
- **Jesus** intended to include Gentiles into **His** kingdom, but here **He** was focused on Jews that had been abused by their spiritual leadership.

(Matthew 15:25) Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help



me.

(Matthew 15:26) But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs.

(Matthew 15:27) And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.

(Matthew 15:28) Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

- The **Lord** does nothing without purpose!
- Jesus excepts worship, she asked for mercy even though Jesus seemed to ignored her.
- Be careful not to allow insults rule your conduct thereby suffering.
- Pride is a terrible thing in control.
- The woman asked fix my daughter resulting in fixing her.
- When your children are blessed of the **Lord**, so too are you blessed.
- The faith that **Jesus** most highly commended expressed by Gentiles:
 - o Mt.8:7-8; 8:11; 9:20; 14:36

(Matthew 15:30) And great multitudes came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them:

(Matthew 15:31) Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel.

- **Jesus** cured (Isa. 35:5-6); **Jesus as Messiah (**Mt. 11:1-6)
- Jesus' ministry pointed Gentiles to the One true God.
- **Jesus** establishing the fact that no one could do what **He** had done.

(Matthew 15:32) Then Jesus called his disciples unto him, and said, I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away fasting, lest they faint in the way.

(Matthew 15:34) And Jesus saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven, and a few little fishes.

(Matthew 15:36) And he took the seven loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks, and brake them, and gave to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.

(Matthew 15:38) And they that did eat were four thousand men, beside women and children.

- **Jesus** had performed a similar miracle: (Mt. 14:13-21)
- **Jesus** was moved with compassion; Gentiles were also included here.
- **Jesus** performed miracles to establish who **He** was, the **Savior** of the world. People assume miracles will deepen their faith, not so because



of man's tendencies to have a short memory; ie: disciples!

To God be the glory!!

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(Matthew 16:1) The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven.

(Matthew 16:2) He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red.

(Matthew 16:3) And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?

(Matthew 16:4) A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

- How will you know a sign from heaven and you haven't been there?
- **God** has supplied us with **Someone** who is from heaven, **Jesus** is from there, **He** is from heaven! **He** is the sign.
- Don't miss the most obvious sign, Jesus' miracles about the coming kingdom of God. The kingdom of heaven is right now.
- Jonah's experience similar to **Jesus'** experience of being interred three days and three nights; he was sent to the Gentiles. (Jon. 1:17)
- Sign of the time still not recognized; miracles are fleeing.