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Notes 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 <a href="www.4176sbaptist@gmail.com">www.4176sbaptist@gmail.com</a>.

- 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.
- (Matthew 11:29) Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
- (Matthew 11:30) "For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light."
- Pray that you 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 & Review:

- Matthew-the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.
- Highlights aspects of the Kingdom of God.
- Some say there is no difference between the Kingdom of God and the



Kingdom of **Heaven**-they are one in the same.

- The holiness and perfection of God causes you to not limb along being satisfied with the flesh ruling in your life.
- The standard of **God** is holiness; it is above our human ability to understand but there is an aspect of us, which is our Spirit, that our humanity does not have that has a relationship, living by and for the **Spirit of God** so that we see things through the lens of **Jesus Christ**.
- Pursue the holiness of **God**; **God's** thought and ways are higher.
- (1 Peter 1:16) Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.
- **God** utter transcending of all that is humanity.; trusting in the redemptive power of **Christ**.
- **God** gave sin its authority-without the law of **God** sin would not have the power it does; the power of sin is the law-**God** dictates what sin is.
- God is the ultimate King!

### **Chp. 17 Jesus Transfigured on the Mount:**

(Matthew 17:1) And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,

(Matthew 17:2) And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

(Matthew 17:3) And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.

(Matthew 17:5) While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

- **Jesus'** inner circle, Peter, James and John, were not chosen intentionally however these three are the ones **Jesus** was closest to.
- Jesus' transfiguration was witnessed by these three as well as Paul (Damascus road) and Moses (Mt. Sinai)-they saw the glory of God.
- Moses and Elijah; representing the Old and the new Covenant.
- The cloud goes back to when the glory/shekinah of **God**.
- God said "Hear Him!" Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of the OT and NT.
- There is nothing that comes from **Christ** that is not ordered by **God**.
- The world wants to find something that discredit the holiness you profess in the righteousness of God.

(Matthew 17:4) Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for



thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

• Peter's character again is revealed; selfishness.

(Matthew 17:14) And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying,

(Matthew 17:15) Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for ofttimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water.

(Matthew 17:16) And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him.

(Matthew 17:17) Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.

- There are some sicknesses that at its root evil spirits, according to the bible-evil spirits are real and have a part in some afflictions.
- God can and will bring you back to your right mind.

(Matthew 17:19) Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?

(Matthew 17:20) And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

(Matthew 17:21) Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.

- **Jesus** said the reason they failed was their lack of faith.
- Prayer ought to be a regular part of your day to day; fasting causes you to tell the flesh what it's going to do, it's a part of your prayer life.
- Fasting is spending time with God; overcoming the flesh; pray every day; you don't know who you will meet at the bottom of the mountain.

(Matthew 17:22) And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men:

(Matthew 17:23) And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again. And they were exceeding sorry.

• Jesus once again predicts His death. Peter again rebukes Jesus.

(Matthew 17:24) And when they were come to Capernaum, they that received tribute money came to Peter, and said, Doth not your master pay tribute?

(Matthew 17:25) He saith, Yes. And when he was come into the house, Jesus prevented him, saying, What thinkest thou, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth take custom or tribute? of their own children, or of strangers?

(Matthew 17:26) Peter saith unto him, Of strangers. Jesus saith unto him,



Then are the children free.

(Matthew 17:27) Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee.

- This tax was a weigh that had nothing to do with worshipping God.
- Do the kings put the burden on their families or to strangers?
- When the fellowship does not treat you like the family of **God** you are in the wrong place; these burdens have nothing to do with salvation.
- God never meant for preachers to be popular; there's only One star.
- (1 Corinthians 3:5) Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?
- **Jesus** said because we must coexist, even though not being treated like family.
- Jesus gladly provided payment for Himself as well as the disciples.
- Jesus paid it all!
- (1 John 1:9) If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Chp. 18:

(Matthew 18:1) At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?

(Matthew 18:2) And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

(Matthew 18:3) And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 18:4) Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

- Converted and come as little children, innocent and fit to gain knowledge; childlike humility; genuine discipleship.
- Unless you put faith in **Jesus** and become as a child ready to receive.
- Conversion comes discipleship, which is a learner.
- Conversion isn't caused by you; **God** causes the conversion through faith that **He** has provided; comes from your heart.
- Baptism does no good if you're not converted, only a person who is converted should be baptized.