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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 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.
- (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.
- Bible study is worship!

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.
 - o The teaching of the **Lord**: the gospel of the "Kingdom of **God** is like"...this is mentioned more in the Gospel of Matthew than any other gospel.



o It is how **God** governs and how the church should do; using stories to liken unto **God**, the saved and unsaved; the hierarchy **God** the **Father** and saved and unsaved.

Chp. 19: Marriage and Divorce

(Matthew 19:4) And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, (Matthew 19:6) Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Where God is when it comes to marriage:

- o The **Lord** teaches about divorce-how **God** is relative to marriage being greater; it will find its proper place in a believer.
- o Emphasis is on the importance of marriage, God ordained it.

(Matthew 19:8) He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

(Matthew 19:9) And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery. (Matthew 19:10) His disciples say unto him, If the case of the man be so with his wife, it is not good to marry.

- **Jesus** shares that Moses permitted "you" to divorce because they had the same hard heart and thoughts from years ago.
- **Jesus** isn't highlighting divorce but the importance of marriage.

(Matthew 19:11) But he said unto them, All men cannot receive this saying, save they to whom it is given.

- Everybody could not except this teaching, only those who have been given the heart and mind to accept the teachings of **Christ**.
- Is there a presupposition to your accepting the teachings of Christ?
- (Matthew 13:9) Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

(Matthew 19:12) For there are some eunuchs, which were so born from their mother's womb: and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and there be eunuchs, which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He that is able to receive it, let him receive it.

• Eunuchs; birth defect, man-made castration, voluntary abstainers (for kingdom's sake).



 There are some things in your life you should abstain from because as a follower of **Christ** you ought not do; not because they are sinful and not being shamed but not doing it before **God**.

(Matthew 19:13) Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. (Matthew 19:14) But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

(Matthew 19:15) And he laid his hands on them, and departed thence.

- Children are brought to **Jesus** by their parents-they were rebuked for wanting their children blessed by **Jesus**.
- The laying of hands (christening) has to do with what you have in you going into them. (18:1-5)
- The children come when grown-ups bring them, being obedient; such is the kingdom of heaven
- No one should be shamed into coming to **Jesus**, scared into salvation.
- Come to receive whatever **Christ** has for us the body; praying for the fullness of that worship service being experienced.
- Children get to **Christ** when grown folk bring them; being a blessing when they come it is our effort.

(Matthew 19:16) And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

(Matthew 19:17) And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.

(Matthew 19:18) He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

(Matthew 19:19) Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

(Matthew 19:20) The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?

- Jews were taught about eternal life because of the man's question.
- The young man did not know Jesus is God.
- Jesus equates the life God provides as eternal life.
- (John 14:6) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- **Jesus** reminded him of the commandments the young man said he had kept all of them yet he was missing something and not right.
- Perfectly keeping the law is only accomplished by One somebody,
 Jesus. We come short no matter good works we perform.
- The wholeness in us can only be found in God. Christ makes up every



deficiency in us, **He** is our wholeness, unmerited salvation.

Christ is our sufficiency.

(Matthew 19:21) Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me.

(Matthew 19:22) But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.

- What an honor Christ gave to this man, Jesus had only personally invited the apostles to follow Him.
- (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.
- The young man came to **Jesus** for life and when it was offered, he turned **Jesus** down, torn up on the inside because he knew he was missing something, although he knew **Christ** was the **One** to give him what he needed and wanted. **Christ** offers life, eternal life.

(Matthew 19:23) Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 19:24) And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

- Jesus said "and again or verily", He is emphasizing something!
- **Jesus** said it was easier for a camel to get on its knees to go thru a small opening (eye of a needle) than for rich people entering kingdom.
- The salvation of rich people tempted as they are to trust themselves and their possession is possible only by divine miracle.
- There are some people who can handle money righteously.
- Yielding to temptation is sin. When in places of temptation the Word says to run and God will show up every time and on time.